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THE RED BOOK OF THE EXCHEQUER,

OF

THE DODSWORTH MANUSCRIPTS IN THE BODLEIAN LIBRARY,

AND OF

THE MANUSCRIPTS IN THE LIBRARY OF THE HONOURABLE SOCIETY OF LINCOLN'S INN.

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PREFACE.

THE three Catalogues which form the contents of this volume were compiled in pursuance of instructions from the Honourable Board of Commissioners on the PUBLIC RECORDS, in the years 1834 and 1835. They are already printed in the Appendix to the Report which the Commissioners made to His late Majesty at the beginning of the present year. But as that Report and Appendix form together a very large volume, it appeared to me that I should render a service, not wholly unacceptable, to that portion of the community who desire to have at hand a key to the contents of the depositories of unpublished and undescribed historical remains, by separating these catalogues from the other matter with which they are there

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incorporated, and forming them into a volume of a convenient size ; and the Commissioners were pleased to grant me permission to do so.

I print only a very small number of copies, not more than one hundred and fifty ; one hundred for public sale, and fifty for private distribution. It is a fact as evident as it is unfortunate, that the purchasers of books of detail and reference, and books not connected with the exciting questions of the day, or written to amuse a passing hour, are too few to encourage the hope of any but the most limited sale for even volumes which contain literary information of permanent utility more valuable and important than what I have here to present.

It will be perceived that these Catalogues have been formed with an especial view. One of the duties required of the Record Commission was to prepare a supplement to the great national work which reflects so much splendour on the reign of Anne, and makes celebrated throughout Europe, and will make honourable throughout all time,

the names of Somers and Montagu,—the collection of historical documents popularly known by the name of Rymer's Fœdera. Many years passed before any progress was made in the work. When it was undertaken, some one, in evil hour, suggested that not a supplement only should be prepared, but that the whole work should be reprinted, with such additional matter as might be collected. Accordingly a new edition was prepared, and the work was carried on to the end of the reign of King Edward III., at which period it had arrived, when, in 1831, a former Commission was superseded, and a Commission was granted to other persons, with additional powers and objects.

After an examination which then took place of the works in progress it was deemed expedient to suspend the prosecution of this edition, and to revert to the original design of preparing a supplement only. It was intended that this supplement should be as honourable to the country which produced it as was the original work; that the extra-

ordinary deficiencies of the original work should be amply supplied; and the intention of the Committee of the House of Commons of 1800, by whom the preparation of this supplement was suggested, fully satisfied. For this purpose it was proposed to the Commission, I believe by Mr. Cooper, the secretary, that there should be extensive search for international documents in all the great depositories of manuscripts, and that the searches should not be confined to England, but extended to countries which in early periods had formed alliances with England, in the not unreasonable expectation that public letters might be found which our own enrolments did not contain, and that treaties, which in their very nature consisted of two or more parts, might exist in the archives of other countries, though not found in our own. It was also thought that while this was doing, the opportunity might be taken of obtaining information concerning transcripts of records, and other historical writings not diplomatic, in libraries of manuscripts of which no printed catalogue was

already in existence. Thus it was hoped that there would be brought together a body of the most valuable information for the historical student, while the only secure foundation would be laid for the completeness, as far as completeness is attainable, of the collection of international documents.

These three Catalogues were framed in pursuance of that design, and are a fragment of the work contemplated ; and though I obtained permission to include in the catalogue of the Lincoln's Inn Manuscripts the few manuscripts which were neither diplomatic, legal, political, nor historical, it will be seen that I have constantly kept the object for which the Catalogues were compiled in view, and to this any peculiarities that may be observed in them are mainly to be attributed.

In this, my own private work, I might indeed have remodelled some portions of the catalogues, and enlarged them in parts where, if I had been proceeding without instructions and left to act according to my

own views of what a Catalogue of Manuscripts ought to be, I should have gone more into detail; but the press was already set, and I had no time for the undertaking. The variations between the text of this volume and that of the Appendix to the Report are therefore few. But I have introduced a short memoir on the life and labours of Dodsworth, a man addicted to the study of charter and record antiquities with a devotion of mind of which the world has seen few parallels. I have also added the schedule of Sir Matthew Hale's manuscripts, drawn up by himself. This schedule is annexed to his will in the Prerogative Office of his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury. In the same depository I found the last will of Dodsworth, which has enabled me to put beyond the limits of a reasonable doubt an end to the question by whose name, Dodsworth's or Dugdale's, the Monasticon ought to be called. Sir William Dugdale would have been the last man to desire that his name should eclipse that of his laborious friend, and no one has

less need than he to desire a reputation that is not wholly his own.

It was my intention to have introduced in this preface a few remarks on matters incident to myself, not very remote from the subject of this volume. But I forbear, contenting myself with intimating to the D'Israelis and Hallams of a future age that they must not be too confident that they can thread the mazes of all literary history.

30, Torrington Square,
10th December 1837.

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THE Exchequer Office-Book, commonly called the LIBER RUBER, or LIBER RUBEUS, or RED BOOK, is a book of great celebrity, but of which no accurate and complete description has ever been given, and of which in consequence erroneous notions prevail. Its early, full, and proper designation is the RUBEUS LIBER FEODORUM, so called in contradistinction to the Niger Liber Feodorum. I find it so designated in a Record of the Exchequer of the reign of Edward III., which contains extracts made from it and transmitted to the collectors of Middlesex as their guide in levying the aid for knighting the Black Prince. Is is a folio of the finer kind of vellum consisting of leaves paged from folio vi to folio cccxxii. At the end is one leaf not numerated, and at the beginning are twenty-two leaves without numbers, excepting that one of them is paged in the same hand with the rest of the volume, "fol. iv." The height is twelve inches and three quarters, and the width nine inches.

The paging is in a hand of the reign of Elizabeth, and in the same hand are two imperfect tables of contents, and some other things which will be noticed in the course of this Report. To the same period I am inclined to attribute the present binding of the volume, which is in wood covered with a red or rather pink leather, from which the book derives its name. But it is no longer to the eye *The Red Book*, it being kept constantly enveloped in a loose cover of light brown leather, in which are several large bosses. A few scripts are now found fastened in the volume, which are not properly parts of it; and very lately two fragments of a roll or rolls of knights' fees have been placed upon guards, and inserted between folios cxxxv and cxxxvi, where the book contains matter of the same kind. In the binding, folios cxxv and cxxvi have been transposed. The book is generally in good preservation. Here and there is a torn leaf, and of one of the leaves a considerable portion has been torn away, but fortunately no part of the writing upon it has been lost. By far the greatest injury which the book has sustained is from the application to some of its pages of an infusion of galls, intended to make legible writing which was faded. There has been great want of discretion in applying this liquid; it being evident that parts have been washed which cannot have required it, or rather that in applying the liquid to parts where the writing was becoming illegible it has been suffered to spread itself over a considerable surface where there was no dimness which could have occasioned any difficulty in the reading. The consequence is, that there are

portions of four or five pages which are now irretrievably lost.

No expence appears to have been spared in the original preparation of the volume. The vellum is thin and fair, the writing of the older portion of the contents by a skilful hand, and the margins are of unusually wide dimensions. The illuminations are not indeed profuse, extending not beyond the initial letters of the treatises and chapters, but they are done with taste and delicacy. All this indicates that it was prepared with care, being regarded as an important document; and it is further a pledge to future generations of the exactness and accuracy of the transcripts contained in the earlier portions of the volume.

The original contents of this volume, or those which were entered when first the volume was prepared, and which are written consecutively and by the same hand, may be distinguished from the rest by the style of the writing, by the illumination, and by being in double columns. It fills the pages from that which, according to the present numbering, is folio xvi to folio clxii. On the verso of folio clxii begin the copies of certain charters, the earlier of which may be in the same hand with the preceding parts of the book; but the initial letters are not inserted, and the deterioration of the writing is soon manifest; and finally the introduction of some other scribe, rendering it probable that the person originally employed, when arrived at this point in his labours, was by some means rendered incapable of pursuing them, or that this was the case with the person under whose direction the work was proceeding.

In the old or original hand there is nothing entered of a later date than A.D. 1230, the 15th of King Henry III.; and within a very few years of that date, there is every reason to suppose that this, the original portion of the book, was written. The volume was not then, however, half filled. The charters on which the original scribe was engaged when his labours ceased, were, as we have before observed, continued in a manner to imitate his work; but in the subsequent parts of the volume we find no regard paid to uniformity or beauty, there is nothing of order or arrangement, but the officers of the Exchequer appear to have used the blank leaves of this choice volume to serve as the deposit of transcripts of any document, and sometimes for tables and even references, useful to them in the execution of their duties, entered quite at random, generally on the later leaves of the volume, but sometimes on the fly leaves at the beginning, and sometimes even on the wide margins of the original work.

The matters thus superinduced are, however, often of great curiosity and value. This use of the volume appears to have been begun very soon after the time when the original scribe finished his labours. Indeed, the greater part of what is thus superinduced can hardly be assigned to a period later than the reign of King Edward I. There are a few entries of the reigns of King Edward II. and King Edward III., and one or two which are of the reign of King Richard II. After that reign nothing appears to have been entered in this book (except one grant of the reign of Henry V.) till we come to the reign of Elizabeth, when several oaths

to be administered in the Exchequer were entered, together with a few other things of which mention will be made hereafter.

It is manifest, therefore, that to convey a proper impression of the nature of the contents of this volume, we must separate the *later* from the *original* matter. That original matter lying between folio xvi and folio clxii claims our first attention. It consists of nine distinct portions, of which a particular description follows.

1. The Original Matter.

I.—"De Libertate Ecclesiæ et tocius Angliæ observandâ Leges Henrici primi filii conquestoris," fo. 16—30. This important portion of the volume begins with the charter granted by King Henry I. on the day of his coronation, and his confirmation of the laws of King Edward, and, as it proceeds, presents a view of the laws and customs of the English nation at that period. It is printed in Wilkins' *Leges Anglo-Saxonicæ*, &c., fol. 1721, p. 231—283, from the *Textus Roffensis*, but with collations of this manuscript. There is another copy of the charter of King Henry at fol. 163 b, taken from the copy which was transmitted to the people of Worcestershire. Both these copies were perused by the editors of the Royal Charters prefixed to *The Statutes of the Realm*, as published by the Commission. The charter is in that work printed from the *Textus Roffensis*, the various readings supplied by these two copies being given in the margin; the two copies being distinguished by the marks R. 1. and R. 2.—To this treatise is appended the piece of Saxon topography

which Gale has printed, *Scriptores* xv, p. 748, having first collated it with Cott. MS. Claud. D. II. There is also what Gale has not printed, a list of the shires under each of the three laws:

To Þest Sexenelaga belỳmpeþ nygen. Sur*, Chent, Sutþsexe, Suþerie, Bercungsyre, Sumsete, Dorsete, Devenesỹre.

To Denelaga belimpeþ fiftene syre. Snotīghamsyre, Derbysyre, Leycestresyre, Lincolne, Heirford, Buckingham, Suþfolc, Norþfolc, Bedeford, Estsexe, Grantebrīğ, Huntenduñ, Norhamtoñ, Midelsexa.

To Michenelage belimpeþ nigan syre. Gloucestr', Wirecestr', Heirford, Oxeneford, Scrobsyre, Chestresyre, Steaffordsyre, Warewicsyre, Beirucsyre.—fo. 30.

II.—" Constitutio Domûs Regis," fo. 30. This account of the royal household, as it stood in the reign of King Henry II., or of one of his sons, is also to be found in the Black Book, (also in the custody of the King's Remembrancer,) and is printed by Hearne, with the other contents of that book, from early transcripts. See *Liber Niger*,

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* It is thus in the original: and even including " Sur," which may be a mistake for " Syre," only seven shires are named; for in that case Surrey would occur twice: nor are there more than fourteen under the Dane Law. As an early list in a book of authority, with all its defects, it deserves attention; but it should be compared with the lists published by Camden, (*Britannia*, ed. 1600, p. 130.) Camden regards *Laga* as equivalent to *Lex*, in which he is followed by Spelman and most other antiquaries. But see on this point Nicolson, *English Historical Library*, edit. 1696, vol. i. p. 113. The text of the part printed by Gale appears equally corrupt.

vol. i. pp. 341—359. The variations between Hearne's copies and the copy now before us are not given.

III.—The "Dialogus de Scaccario," fo. 31—46. This treatise on the ancient constitution and practice of the Exchequer appears in this book without any title. There is another ancient copy of it in another book of the Exchequer, kept at the Chapter House, and known there by the name of the Black Book.* It is printed by Madox at the end of his

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* Liber Niger Scaccarii.—There is great inconvenience in this mode of designating manuscripts. There are, as stated in the text, *two* books in the Exchequer, both known by the name of *Liber Niger*,—the one which contains the Dialogue, preserved at the Chapter House, under the care of the keeper of the records there; and the other, which contains the Constitutio, preserved under the care of the King's Remembrancer. These two books are sometimes confounded. And there is even a *third* Liber Niger of the Exchequer also under the care of the King's Remembrancer; the *Liber Niger Feodorum.* Other archives, as those of the Irish Exchequer, the Admiralty, the Cinque Ports, the Chapter of Peterborough, and other public bodies at home and abroad, have each their Liber Niger.

The Liber Niger, which contains the Constitutio, is sometimes called *Liber Niger Parvus;* it appears to have been compiled about the same period with the original parts of the Liber Rubeus, that is, in the reign of Henry III. It is a small folio of eighty-five leaves, bound in black leather. Besides the Constitutio it contains the Certificationes of knights' fees, which are also in the Red Book; these form indeed the principal contents of the volume. I annex a brief account of all its contents.

1. "Hoc est Testamentum Illustrissimi Regis Henrici Secundi Angliæ," f. 1. There is an interesting illumination in the initial letter, in which the King is represented lying in bed, and dictating his will to a clerk, who is writing it. Bishops and

History of the Exchequer, 4to, vol. ii. pp. 349—452, who has followed the text of the copy in the Liber

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other persons are standing around. The will is printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 47.

2. " Carta Conventionis factæ inter Henricum [I.] Regem Angliæ et Robertum Comitem Flandriæ," f. 2. Dated at Dover, 6 Id. Martii.

3. " Carta Conventionis factæ inter Henricum [I.] Regem Angliæ et Robertum Comitem Flandriæ," f. 3 b. Dated at Dover, 16 Kal. Junii.

Both these treaties are printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. pp. 6 and 7, from the original instruments in the Treasury of the Receipt of the Exchequer, (the Chapter House.) The originals were decayed, so that considerable portions of several lines are wanting. These blanks might have been supplied from the early and, doubtless, authentic transcripts in the book before us. The order in which they are inserted in this book is reversed in the Fœdera.

4. " Conventiones factæ inter Henricum [II.] Regem Angliæ, et Comitem Theodorum [vel Theodoricum], et Philippum Comitem Flandriæ," f. 5. Dated at Dover, 14 Kal. Apr. Printed in the Fœdera from this book, vol. i. p. 22.

5. " Carta Recognitionis Servicii quod Barones et ceteri Homines Comitis Flandriæ debent Henrico [II.] Regi Angliæ," f. 7. Printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 23, from the original in the Treasury of the Court of Receipt.

6. " Carta Conventionis et Finis facti inter Henricum [II.] Regem Angliæ filium Matildis Imperatricis, et Willielmum Regem Scotorum," f. 7 b. Dated " apud Valon':" no day. This document is printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 30, from a roll in the Treasury of the Court of Receipt, but with many variations from the copy before us. This and the two preceding documents are also in the Liber Rubeus.

7. Four Bulls of Pope Alexander in the reign of King Henry II.; f. 8 b. These were not in the original edition of the Fœdera, but are in the edition published by the Record Commissioners, vol. i. pp. 44 and 45.

8. Here follow what form the chief contents of the volume, occupying from f. 10 b to f. 74—the Cartæ of the several te-

Niger, but has introduced several readings from the text of the Liber Rubeus, and has taken notice

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nants in chief certifying what knights' fees they held, and were held of them, as exhibited in the 12th or 13th of Henry II. on occasion of the aid on the marriage of the King's daughter. This corresponds to No. v. in the original portions of the Liber Rubeus. There is in the main an agreement between the two; but it is to be observed that there are a few entries in the Liber Niger, which appear to have been made after the original manuscript was written. By a comparison of the two a much more perfect text might be formed of this very early and very important document than that of Hearne, who, as is observed above, printed from transcripts made, it is not known by whom, from one or other of these books, and it would be highly expedient to prepare from these, which, as the original Cartæ no longer exist, may be regarded as original authorities, a critical and authentic edition. There is no title or heading to these Cartæ in this book, and the title in the Liber Rubeus is not by the hand in which the Cartæ themselves are copied.

9. "Hoc est Constitutio Domûs Regis de Procurationibus;" f. 75 b—77.

10. "Carta Stamarii [Stannarii] Domini Regis;" f. 77 b—79.

11. "Carta Hamelini Comitis Warren';" f. 80.

12. "Carta Walteri Croc;" f. 80.

13. "Carta Henrici de Clinton;" f. 80 b.

14. "Carta Aeliciæ de Bella Aqua;" f. 80 b.

15. "Carta Domini Coventrensis;" f. 81.

16. "Confirmatio Decani et Capituli Lichfeldensis;" f. 81.

17. A Charter of Henry [II.] relating to William de Braosa, and monies owing by him to the King; f. 82.

18. "Carta Scabinorum et Proborum Hominum de Sancto Audomaro;" f. 83 b.

19. The Manucaptores for the sons of William de Breosa or Braosa; f. 84.

20. "Honor Boloniæ," 6 Hen. III.; f. 84 b.

These are the whole contents of the book, and they lie in the same order in Hearne's publication. See *Liber Niger Scaccarii*, 2nd edit. London, 1774, 2 vol., vol. i. p. 1—396. The other parts of that publication are matters which have no con-

of others of its readings in the notes. It may be proper to add, that this is the treatise long attributed to Gervase of Tilbury, but which Madox, chiefly on the authority of Swereford in a passage about to be produced, attributes to Richard, the Bishop of London whose name sometimes appears with the addition of filius Nigelli, and who died in 1198.

IV.—A large collection made by Alexander de Swereford, an officer of the Court of Exchequer, and also Archdeacon of Shrewsbury, out of the Great Rolls of that court, now usually called the Pipe Rolls, of the scutages which were levied between the 2d year of King Henry II. and the 13th year of King John, f. 47—81. Having been much employed, as he says, in the Exchequer, and having found no certain account of the knights' fees which were granted by the Conqueror, he has endeavoured to make up for the want of such an authoritative document by collecting from the accounts of former years what had been paid as scutage by various parties, to serve as a guide to

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nexion with the Liber Niger, or dependance upon it.—The other Liber Niger, namely, that preserved at the Chapter House, is, as to the original portions of it, of nearly the same age with this Liber Niger and with the Liber Rubeus. It contains, in the original hand, the copy of the Dialogue, but that forms only a very small part of the contents of the volume. For the rest, there are amongst many other things an old Kalendar, a Table of the Sheriffs' Dietæ, various constitutions and ordinances of the Exchequer, historical memoranda, and notices of the admission and death or relinquishment of many officers of the court.

the officers of the court in future levies.* The scutages are these which follow :—

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* Swereford's Introduction is full of curious and important information : — " Anno Domini M°.CC°.XXX°. anno videlicet XV°. regni Regis Henrici filii Regis Johannis, qui fuit frater, &c. [here is a long genealogy in the line of the family of Woden, commencing with Adam, which I omit;] sub Huberto de Burgo Comite Kanciæ Anglie Justiciario, Thesaurario Scaccarii, ... o Kaerleonensi Episcopo, Regis predicti Cancellario, Radulpho Cicestrensi Episcopo, residens Ego Alexander Archidiaconus Salopesbr' apud Westmonasterium in Regis Scaccario, antiquorum Regum Anglie Rotulos revolvens Annales, ad hoc sollicitius animum direxi, ut per regna Anglie debita Regi servitia militaria quatenus potui plenissime percunctarer; cum neque Nigellus quondam Elyensis Episcopus, Regis Henrici primi Thesaurarius, vir quidem in scientia Scaccarii plenius instructus; nec ejusdem successor officii, Ricardus Londonensis Episcopus, licet in sui libelli tractatu superius multa de negotiis Scaccarii degereret; nec vir valde peritus in eisdem, Willielmus Elyensis, sub cujus regimine temporibus Regis Johannis multociens ibidem militavi, super hiis certum aliquid diffinirent; illud commune verbum in ore singulorum tunc temporis divulgatum fatuum reputans et mirabile, quod in regni conquisitione Dux Normannorum, Rex Willielmus, servicia XXXII. militum infeodavit, cum nec super hoc posteris suis Regibus Anglorum rotulos reliquerit, nec annalia sua temporibus meis a quibusquam visa sint, rotulo quidem Wintoniensi sive Domusdey vel Libro Hidarum excepto, quo quidem hidas tocius Anglie earundemque tenentes anno regni sui XIIII°. per tocius regni comitatus recensens satis compendiose conclusit, ignorasse quidem hæc servicia militaria Regis ejusdem postmodum successores subsequentium argumento non inmerito potuit dubitari; quia cum Rex Henricus filius Imperatricis Duci Saxonie filiam suam Matildem nuptui [q.?] traderet, a quolibet sui regni milite marcam unam in subsidium nuptiarum exegit, puplico precipiens edicto quod quilibet Prelatus et Baro quot milites de eo tenerent in capite puplicis suis instrumentis significarent. Quæ quidem instrumenta per singulos comitatus distincta sub prefato Willielmo Elyensi in unum recollegi volumen. Nomina quidem

Henrici II.

A° 2. Pro Exercitu Walliæ, on the Prelates only, 20*s.* on each knight's fee.

5. Pro eodem Exercitu, on each knight's fee 2 marks.

7. Pro Exercitu Tholosæ, on each fee 2 marks.

8. Pro eodem Exercitu, on each fee 1 mark.

14. Ad maritandam filiam Regis, on each fee 1 mark. This was an auxilium.*

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cartas suas mittencium, numerum etiam feodorum, et pecuniam pretaxatam solutam, reperies inferius in rotulo regni Regis ejusdem XIIII°. sub illo titulo; De auxilio ad maritandam primogenitam filiam Regis; nomina quidem illorum qui cartas tunc temporis non miserunt reperies inferius in rotulo regni sui XVIII°. sub titulo illo;—De hiis qui cartas non miserunt. Ut igitur quatenus hujus rei potuit investigari veritas singulis innotesceret, incipiens a tempore Regis Henrici filii Imperatricis, scutagia singula successorum suorum temporibus assisa usque ad annum XV^mum^. Regis Henrici filii Regis Johannis huic meo libello inferius descripsi; temporibus enim Regis Henrici primi, licet ejusdem paucos inspeximus annales, nec inspexi vel audivi fuisse scutagia assisa. Diligens igitur investigator, et hujus libelli mei lector, singulis inspectis inferius scutagiis advertat, qui, qualia, et quot debeant servicia militaria, qui quidem serjantarias; defectusque unius annalis suppleat ex alio, attendens quod militantes in exercitu non solverunt scutagia tempore quo militabant, immo milites remanentes redimentes suam scutagii sui remanentiam. Potuitque contingere multociens, et contigit, quod qui hoc anno remanerent ab exercitu alio quidem anno militarent, et è contra; solverentque hoc anno scutagia qui non alio anno solverent, et è contra. Suppleat igitur defectum meum quicumque voluerit, et ignoscat si pauciora debito Regi servicio perstrinxserim, cum in hoc solo mea fuerit intentio, ut ex rotulis veritatem elicerem et non relatu reproborum." f. 47.

* Swereford marks the distinction between a scutage and an aid:—" Apposui quidem istud auxilium in numero scuta-

18. Pro Exercitu Hiberniæ, on each fee 20*s*.

33. Pro Exercitu Galweiæ, on each fee 20*s*.

Ricardi Regis.

A° 2. Scutagium Walliæ, on each fee 10*s*.

6. Ad redemptionem Regis illustris, on each fee 20*s*.*

8. Pro Exercitu Normanniæ, on each fee 20*s*.

Johannis Regis.

A° 1. Primum Scutagium post Coronationem Regis, on each fee 2 marks.

3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Six assessments of 2 marks each, pro Exercitu Normanniæ.

12. Pro passagio Regis in Hibernia, on each fee 2 marks.

13. Pro Exercitu Walliæ, on each fee 2 marks.

Eodem. Pro Exercitu Scotiæ, on each fee 2 marks. †

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giorum, quoniam congnita summa marcarum, cognoscitur per consequens et numerus militum." f. 47 b.

* The following is Swereford's account of the King's captivity: — "Qui cum reversus a Ierosolimis, subjugatis sibi regionibus et terris et civitatibus diversis, effugatis exinde Sarracenis, prout in Gestis ejusdem plenius continetur, clam per Alemaniam in regnum suum volens reverti, occupatis jam terris suis et invasis a Rege Francorum Philippo in Normannia, captus est a Limpolldo Duce Austriæ, detentusque apud Wene, anno Domini M°. C° XC° II°. Redemptus postmodum ab Anglis pro $\overline{\text{C}}$. librarum sterlingorum." f. 48.

† King John, who was always needy, made another attempt to levy a scutage of three marks, for the army of Poictou. Swereford thus speaks of it, and at the same time presents us with the testimony of a contemporary to the place of King John's

V.—To Swereford we also owe the next portion of the volume, which is indeed spoken of in his Introduction before given, and may be regarded as an appendix to the Collections out of the Great Rolls. He has entitled it thus:—"Certificationes factæ de feodis militum, tempore Regis Henrici secundi, per Prelatos et Barones, pretextu mandati Regis ejusdem annotati alibi in hoc libro, folio xlvii. precedente," f. 83—122. The reference is to the Collections respecting the aid ad maritandam of 13 or 14 Hen. II. It has been already observed that there is another ancient copy of these Certifications in the *Liber Niger*, and that they are printed by Hearne. Hearne, however, it is to be regretted, had not access to either of these originals, but printed from three copies, one in his own possession, and the other two in the Ashmolean and Harleian Libraries. His text is an eclectic text made out of the three, but it varies in some important particulars from the text of this manuscript, which must be regarded as one of high authority; and it seems expedient, as hinted in a former note, that an authentic edition of so early, curious, and important a document as this should be prepared from the collation of the text of these two books.

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death. "Hoc scutagium nec Prelatis nec Baronibus potuit imponi eo tempore, propter illud enim divertentes se fere omnes Barones a fidelitate Regis ejusdem, introducto in Anglia Ludowico primogenito Regis Francorum Philippi, capta Londonia, submissisque sibi aliis civitatibus, eidem se subjecerunt. Sicque Rex Johannes vitam finiens in gwerra, regni sui anno XVIII°. apud Castrum de Neuwerk diem clausit extremum; sepultus apud Wigorniam, in ecclesia civitatis ejusdem cathedrali." f. 48.

VI.—A collection of the Serjeanties in the different counties, f. 123—129. Much, and probably the whole of this, may be found in the book of fees called Testa de Nevil, at f. 417 of the printed copy, and in other places dispersedly as the counties lie in the volume. But on comparison with the printed copy of the Testa, it appears that this manuscript would be found to supply some valuable readings.

VII.—"Inquisitiones factæ tempore Regis Johannis per totam Angliam, anno scilicet regni sui XII°. et XIII°., in quolibet comitatu; de servitiis militum et aliorum qui de eo tenent in capite, secundum rotulos liberatos Thesaurario per manus Vicecomitum Angliæ, tempore predicto," f. 132—149. These inquisitions are not themselves incorporated in the Testa; but the matter which they contain is to be found for the most part in other forms in that book.

VIII.—"Inquisitiones de honoribus exchaetis aliquo tempore factæ anno XIII°. Regis Johannis, de servitiis M. eorundem," f. 150—159. Much of this also is in the Testa; but respecting this and the preceding portions, it is to be observed that the text of this book is an older text than that of the Testa by not less than half a century, and that these portions of the Red Book were prepared with far more care than was bestowed on the book now called Testa de Nevil.

IX.—"Normannia. Infeudationes militum qui debent servicia militaria Duci Normanniæ, et in quot militibus quilibet tenetur ei servire," f. 160—162. I owe to *Cooper on Records*, (vol. ii. p. 321,) the information that this document is

printed by Du Chesne, *Scriptores Rerum Normannicarum*, p. 1045, but not in an entire agreement with this original. It is also printed by Ducarel (*Anglo-Norman Antiquities*, Appendix, No. ii.) professedly from this copy; but if so, very incorrectly.

The nine portions thus described lie consecutively and in continuity, with such breaks only as serve to mark the termination of one portion and the commencement of another, and are all that can be said to have been completed by the original compiler of the volume.—I have deferred, till the whole of this part of the volume was described, to state the opinion of Madox, that to Alexander de Swereford, the Archdeacon of Shrewsbury, we owe not only the compilation out of the Pipe Rolls, which forms the fourth portion now described, but the preparation of the volume itself. It is indisputable that Alexander was a zealous officer of this court; and the expression in the introduction which has been quoted, "Nec ejusdem successor officii Ricardus Londonensis Episcopus, licet in sui libelli tractatu *superius* multa de negotiis Scaccarii degereret," used by Swereford himself, seems to imply that he devised the arrangement which gave to the Dialogue on the Exchequer, which is the treatise spoken of, its place in this book before his Collections. There is also at f. 46 b, in a hand of the time which may not unreasonably be presumed to be Swereford's own, the following entry, in which we may observe that he again speaks of himself, and calls the book his own.

"Anno Domini M°.CC^mo.XXVII°. regni Regis Henrici filii Regis Johannis XI°., vigilia Sanctæ Margaretæ, fuit Rex

Londoniæ apud Westmonasterium in capella Sancti Johannis cum magnatibus quibusdam, et venit ibi H. Foliot Herefordensis Episcopus qui cives Herefordenses XL. nominatim excommunicaverat, eo quod in communi tallagio Regis in civitate homines suos concives et inhabitantes civitatem et homines canonicorum talliaverant et namia pro tallagio ceperant. Civitatem etiam totam interdicto supposuerat. Hiis igitur coram Rege propositis, sub tali forma quievit negocium in eadem capella eadem die; videlicet, quod Episcopus absolveret excommunicatos omnes in forma ecclesiæ et interdictionem relaxaret, restitutis namiis captis hominibus Episcopi et canonicorum; et Archiepiscopi et Episcopi dijudicarent postmodum de emenda et satisfactione [ecclesiasticorum jurium].* Hiis interfuerunt et consenserunt ipse Rex Henricus; et H. de Burgo Justiciarius; Episcopi, Eustachius Londonensis, Ricardus Sarisburiensis, Radulphus Cicestrensis Regis Cancellarius, Jocelinus Bathoniensis, Walterus Karleolensis; Justiciarii de Banco, Thomas de Muleton, Robertus de Lessinton, Thomas de Haidon, Henricus de Braibroc; Baronibus et Militibus aliis, Radulpho filio Nicholai, Godefrido de Craucumbe, Nicholao de Molis, Theobaldo Hautein, Reimundo de Burgo, Gulielmo filio Garun, Philippo de Abeigny, Henrico filio Alcherii, Henrico de Capella; Clericis, Radulpho de Norwiz Justiciario Judeorum, Ranulpho Briton Consiliario Justiciarii, Magistro Henrico de Bissopburn, Henrico de Cornhull Cancellario Londoniæ, et Alexandro Archidiacono Salopiæ Clerico tunc Domini Regis, *qui interfuit et hoc scripsit; cujus liber iste fuit.*"

Madox, who has collected every thing that could be discovered respecting Swereford, says that he

* These words are a restoration by Madox. See *History of the Exchequer*, vol. ii. p. 334. Madox's transcript has been used in preparing this copy, as in his time there were words of this curious entry perfect, which cannot now be read.

died on the fourteenth of the calends of November 1246, and was buried in the church of St. Paul, London, at the altar of St. Chad, where he founded a chantry, referring for his authority to Cott. MS. Vitellius, E. xv. f. 198.*

2. The Superinduced Matter.

The contents of this volume, which are of a later date, admit of being distributed in three classes.

i.—Collections, Documents, and Memoranda relating to the Constitution, Privileges, or Practice of the Court of Exchequer.

ii.—Diplomas.

iii.—Evidences of the King's Title to various Possessions. And concerning these it may be observed in general, that nearly every document of a later date than the reign of Henry III. was entered in this book at or near the time of its preparation.

i.—Collections, Documents, and Memoranda relating to the Constitution, Privileges, or Practice of the Court of Exchequer.

1. A large collection of Excerpts out of the Rotuli Annales or Pipe Rolls, amounting in many instances to transcripts of nearly the whole of the roll, with a few notes interspersed, f. 184 b—214.

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* This Codex was reduced to a crust in the fire. It was a chartulary and chronicle of the Monastery of Oseney, as is manifest by Smith's Catalogue, and indeed by the fragments of the MS. still remaining.

These are in a hand of the reign of Edward I. They are made from some other copy of the accounts than that which now forms the series of Pipe Rolls, the Treasurer's Rolls. They are from rolls of Henry II. and Richard I., and are remarkable for containing large portions, if not nearly the whole, of the roll of the 1st Henry II., of which the original is not known to exist. The other years are the following: Henry II., 2—11, 14, 19—24; Richard I., 1—3, 5—8; and there are a few slight notes out of rolls of other years.

2. A large and valuable collection of the feudal tenures in the different counties, with notices of the sums paid at different periods in the reigns of Henry II. and Richard I., f. 218—230. These are entered in the same hand with the Excerpts from the Pipe Rolls. Little, if any thing, of the contents of this portion of the volume is in the Testa de Nevil, a book consisting of similar matter, and apparently compiled for a similar purpose, the facilitating the levying of scutages and aids.

Prefixed to it is a list of aids levied in the reign of Henry III., and a notice of that in the 18 Edward I.; viz. Henry III., anno 19, on the marriage of Matild, the King's sister, to the Emperor Frederick; anno 29, on the marriage of the King's eldest daughter; anno 38, on the making the King's eldest son a knight; Edward I., anno 18, on the marriage of the King's eldest daughter, f. 217 b.

3. "Feoda de comitatu Cestr' secundum inquisitionem factam per Alanum le Zuche tunc Justiciarium," f. 82. This was in 37 Henry III.

4. A notice of lands granted by King John to

Ralph de Someri, with a reference to the memoranda of the Exchequer, Mich. Term, 15 Edward II., respecting them, f. 95. This occurs among the certifications of knights' fees in 13 Henry II.

5. A brief notice of the amount of sums assessed in the time of Henry III., f. 180. The following is a copy:—

"Summa xvme. assisæ per Angliam anno regni Regis Henrici filii Regis Johannis octavo, IIII^{xx}VI. mil. DCCLVIII. marc. II. d.

Summa XLe. anno regni Regis ejusdem XVII°., XXIIII. mil. DCCXII. marc. VII. s. V. d.

Summa Carucagii III. mil. mar.

Summa XXXe. assisæ anno regni Regis ejusdem XXI°. XXXIII. mil. DCCC.IIII^{xx}XI. marc. II. s. I. d."

6. "Constabularii de Feodo super wardam Dovor' de diversis Baroñ, anno 46 Regis Henrici tercii, per Robertum Waleraund," f. 194 b.

7. "Feoda pertinentia ad wardam Novi Castri super Tinam," f. 195 b.

8. "Compotus de cornagiis Northumberlandiæ redditus ad Scaccarium in anno Regis Henrici 49, per Robertum de Insula Vicecomitem," f. 195 b.

9. "Quinque Portus et eorum membra cum serviciis Regi debitis de Portubus predictis annuatim," f. 196.

10. "Warda debita Castro de Windesor per singulas quadragenas anni," f. 196 b.

11. "Feoda quæ debent ad custodiam Castri Dovor'," f. 196 b.

12. "Certificatio Portus Dovor, et quid et quantum Domino Regi debetur, et quid ab eodem alienatur, et quomodo," f. 197 b.

13. "Recepta a Rege Johanne de episcopatibus, abbatiis, et aliis clericis Angliæ tempore

Interdicti pro Stephano Archiepiscopo Cantuariæ," f. 233.

14. "Rotulus quondam Roberti Mantel de firma comitatuum Essex' et Hertford', scilicet CLX. lib. II. s. III. d. albi," f. 233 b. Similar notes relating to other counties are intermixed.

15. A large body of ordinances concerning the Exchequer, and the reformation of the practice thereof, made in the 16th, 17th, and 19th years of the reign of Edward II. by the King and Council, and one of Edward III. in the 29th year of his reign, f. 279—297.

16. Another order respecting the practice of the Exchequer, f. 251 b.

17. A writ of King Edward I., dated Nov. 14, in the 7th of his reign, and entered in the Communia of that year, addressed to the Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer, for restraining exorbitant fees; on the fly leaves.

18. The oaths of the several officers of the Court, with those of the Lord Mayor of London, and of the Mayors and Bailiffs of other cities and boroughs, who are sworn in the Exchequer; also of the Escheators, Sheriffs, Justiciars, and Members of the King's Council; twenty-six in all. These oaths are entered on the fly leaves at the beginning of the volume; and at f. 308 b. there is a second copy of the Chamberlain's oath, with the clause of renouncing the authority of the Bishop of Rome. The oaths of the officers of the Exchequer are in the hand of Elizabeth's reign; but that of the Lord Mayor of London, and of other persons not officers of the Exchequer, are in a hand of the reign of Edward III. This book is now produced, and the

oath read from it, when the Lord Mayors of London go to the Exchequer to be sworn. A copy of the Sheriffs' and Escheator's Oath, in a hand of the reign of Edward I., on a loose slip of parchment, lies in the volume among the other oaths. These oaths are printed in the Report of 1800; pp. 233—237.

19. "Brevia per Dietas." A table shewing the Dietæ of the Sheriffs in passing accounts, as well when the Exchequer was at Westminster as when at York. This occurs on the fly leaves, and there is a second table of the same kind, but with less particularity, at f. 82 b. Both are in a hand of the reign of Edward I.

20. "Numerus dierum assignatorum Vicecomitibus ad computandum ad Scaccarium;" fly leaf.

21. "Dies quibus placita prosequuntur in Scaccario," as settled 52 Henry III.; f. 242.

22. "Provisiones de Judaismo liberatæ ad Scaccarium per Dominum Walterum de Merton," f. 242 b.

23. "Forma observandi in ordine scripturæ Magni Rotuli," f. 242 b.

24. "Pro Rege, de Prerogativa Regis quoad Levationem Debitorum," 3 Edward I.; f. 245.

25. "De separatione facienda in extractis Justic' de debitis ad Regem spectantibus a debitis spectantibus ad alios," f. 251.

26. "De corporibus comitatuum de Rotulis Annalibus amovendis," f. 266.

27. "Breve per quod Rex mandat veteres summonitiones sub compendio innovari, ne amerciamenta in quibus populus regni sui anno xx^mo.

Regis Edwardi patris inciderat et exitus forisfacti exigantur prætextu summonitionum veterum earundem," 12 Edward II. f. 275 b. This writ is printed in the Fœdera, vol. ii. p. 386, from the Close Rolls.

28. "Processus de modo allocandi diversas libertates Magnatum regni super compotum Vicecomitum." This was the original title. There is added, in a later hand, "Habitus et annotatus in Memorandis de anno XIIII°. R. E. filii R. E. viz. inter Recorda in termino Paschæ, rot. 60," f. 277. Compare with it an entry on the fly leaf at the end of the volume.

29. "Carta R. E. fil. R. H. facta Conversis Londoniæ, de CCII. li. IIII. d. ad Scaccarium annuatim percipiendis," Feb. 16, 20 of his reign; f. 278.

30. "De nova custuma lanarum, pellium lanutarum, et coriorum Regi concessa," 3 Edward I.; f. 256 b.

31. "De Libertatibus concessis mercatoribus vinetariis de ducatu Aquitaniæ, reddendo Regi et heredibus suis duos solidos de quolibet dolio vini ducto per eosdem infra regnum Angliæ vel potestatem Regis," f. 256 b.

32. Memorandum of a charter granted by King Henry III., and bearing date 20th January, in the 39th of his reign, confirming the privileges of the Barons of the Exchequer, f. 131 b.

33. Eight Writs of Protection, granted by King Edward I. in favour of officers of the Exchequer. These are entered in a contemporary hand on the margins of several leaves, on which the Dialogue on the Exchequer is written, f. 36 b—39; they are now scarcely legible, owing to the

application to them of the infusion of galls. They are (1.) A general writ, imperfect, declaring that the officers of the Exchequer are exempt from process, civil or ecclesiastical, while attending the King's affairs. (2.) To the Archdeacon of Oxford, in the first of his reign; William de Rowell, Chamberlain of the Exchequer, not to be drawn away to answer the plea of Roger the rector of Whytefeud in the Archdeacon's Court. (3.) To the same Roger; that he proceed not in his suit. (4.) To Nicholas Poynz, in the same first year of his reign, that officers of the Exchequer are free of suit at the County and Hundred Courts. (5.) To R. Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield; that he revoke the sentence for contumacy pronounced on an officer of the Exchequer. (6.) To R. Bishop of Lincoln; an officer of the Exchequer not to attend to a citation. (7.) To the Bailiffs of Edmund Earl of Leicester; the officers of the Exchequer are quit of suit at County Courts or Hundreds. (8.) To R. Bishop of Norwich; that he revoke a sentence of excommunication, if passed, upon an officer of the Exchequer. There is also a letter to nearly the same effect, addressed to A. Archbishop of York or his commissary, uncertain by which King.

34. A writ of King Edward I., dated June 12, in the 7th of his reign, directed to the Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer, that they maintain the tenants of the Palace at Westminster in the possession of their rights and liberties, f. 244 b.

35. An ordinance respecting the Exchequer at Dublin; with a receipt for the ornaments which had belonged to H. the Archbishop of Tuam and Jus-

tice of Ireland, 21 Edwardi; and a memorandum of the delivery to the Treasurer of Ireland, by the Treasurer and Barons of the English Exchequer, of various rolls and other scripts. These are in a hand contemporary with the transaction, and are on strips stitched into the book, between f. 252 and f. 253.

36. "De Multuris Episcoporum." Under this head are placed extracts from the Memoranda of the Exchequer of the appearance before the Barons, of executors of deceased Bishops, with those portions of the personalty of the Bishops to which the King was entitled. These extracts are entered on the fly leaves, and in the hand of the reign of Elizabeth. The prelates of whom we have notices are:—B., Archbishop of Canterbury, 55 Hen. III.; William, Bishop of Norwich, 16 Edw. I.; Henry le Branceston, Bishop of Salisbury, 16 Edw. I.; the Bishop of Chichester, 17 Edw. I.; Walter de Haselshagh, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 2 Edw. II.; the Bishop of Winchester, 25 Edw. III.; Robert, Bishop of Chichester, 36 Edw. III.; Richard Clifford, Bishop of London, 9 Hen. V.

37. Extracts from the Close Roll, 48 Hen. III., respecting appointments of Roger de la Lye in the Exchequer, f. 298 b. In the most recent hand.

38. Submission in the King's Court at Dublin of Walter de Laci, brother of Hugh de Laci, on the vigil of St. Peter, in the 12th of the King, f. 180 b.

39. A writ from the King [Edward I.] to the Knights and others of the liberty of the Bishop of Durham, that he had committed the custody thereof to Robert . . . .; dated July 17, in the 30th of

his reign: and a writ to A. Bishop of Durham, to levy certain amercements which had been imposed while the liberties were in the hands of the King; dated at Jedworth, 28 August, in the 32nd of his reign [Edward I.] Another writ on the same subject, dated Villa Sancti Johannis de Perth, 8 July, 31st of his reign. These are on slips of parchment inserted in the book, between f. 182 and f. 183, and no part of the book itself.

40. "Questiones Curiæ." Law cases for determination, f. 232 b.

41. "Incrementa comitatuum omnium Angliæ, anno R. H. fil. J. xxv°. coram Stephano de Segrave," f. 233.

42. Account of a question decided respecting the right of presentation to the church of Eton, 52 Hen. III., f. 242.

43. "Breve de judicio directum Episcopo Linc. pro ecclesia de Kirketon," f. 242.

44. "Pro Rege, de custodia terrarum Galfridi de Luci," f. 253. A question of wardship between Gilbert de Clare Earl of Gloucester and the King.

45. An account of the tenure of lands in the county of Surrey, by Bartholomew de Cheym, by the serjeanty of finding a cook in the King's kitchen on the day of his coronation, f. 232.

46. An account of the coronation of Queen Alianor, daughter of Hugh Earl of Provence, in 20 Hen. III., with the claims of service, f. 232.

47. "Tenor brevis de Magno Sigillo de querela Thomæ nuper Comitis Lancastriæ quod est inter Communia de anno primo Regis Edwardi tertii post conquestum," f. 297 b.

48. Various documents relating to the Mint and coinage; viz. (1.) "Forma Novæ Monetæ," f. 245. (2.) "Nomina Ministrorum Cambii," f. 245 b. (3.) Memorandum of a Proclamation against clipping the new money, f. 245 b. (4.) Memorandum of an agreement with William Turnemyre respecting the coinage, 12 Edw. I., f. 246. (5.) "De Moneta," on the office of the Mint, f. 245 b. (6.) "De Moneta," an agreement by which William de Turnemire is made Master of the Mint, the number of his furnaces is determined, and other affairs mentioned of great consequence in the history of the English coinage, f. 247. (7.) "De Moneta, contra Abbatem Sancti Edmundi," p. 248 b. (8.) Ordinances of 28 Edw. I. respecting the Mint, cancelled, f. 254. (9.) "De Moneta," an ordinance of the same year, f. 259—265.

49. "De Officio Camerarii restituto Adæ de Strattone," f. 248 b.

50. Various Memoranda intended to facilitate reference to the rolls; viz. (1.) That the writ of Henry III., by which he commanded the Barons to deliver the measures and weights to Walter Harvey, his Escheator of London, "ad faciendum inde judicium in conspectu populi ejusdem civitatis," is in the Communia of the 54th of that reign, f. 4. (2.) That the writ under the Great Seal to the Treasurer and Barons "de Debitis atterminandis" is in the Communia of 3 Edw. II.; fly leaf. (3.) That the writ "de Custodiis et Maritagiis in manu Regis existentibus anno XII°. vel extunc in manu Regis devenire conting'" is in the Communia of that year; fly leaf. (4.) That in the Great Roll of 20 Hen. III. it is found that half

a mark is paid "pro scrutatione pedis cujusdam cyrographi," f. 231 b. (5.) That in the Communia, Hil. Term. 11 Edw. III., is a record of privileges granted to the officers of the Exchequer, f. 322 b. (6.) That in the Great Roll, 11 John, Norf. and Suff., it appears that the Abbot of Croyland owed four palfreys to have his lands, &c. of which he had been disseised because he had excommunicated the servants of the King; fly leaf. (7.) That the charter of Alphonso King of Castile, of a quit claim made to Edward the King, son of Henry the King, and his heirs, of the whole of Gascony, sealed with a golden seal, is deposited in the inner chamber near the Black Hall in the Tower of London, f. 15. (8.) That on the Memoranda of 9 Hen. III. it was entered as determined, that "precium osturci sori sit xx. s., precium osturci mutati sit xl. s., et si austurcus sorus non reddatur primo anno, in anno sequenti dicatur et reddatur mutatus," f. 149 b. (9.) That in the Great Roll, 19 Edw. I., Norf., it is entered, that the magnates are not to take the amercements for their own offences, and also by a writ of the said King entered in the Communia of his 18th year; fly leaf at the end. And (10.) at f. 211 b. is a cluster of such references, chiefly to rolls of Edward II.

51. Divers other Memoranda, or slight notes. (1.) The form in which writs are addressed to Bristol, Exeter, Dover, the Cinque Ports, and Rye; fly leaf. (2.) The cost of writs and summonses; fly leaf. (3.) That a quintal of wax contains 112lbs.; fly leaf. (4.) That the birth of Edward, eldest son of King Edward II., was on St. Brice's day, being Monday, Nov. 13, 1312;

fly leaf. (5.) That a pound of wax ought to be sufficient for thirteen writs or summonses, f. 46 b. (6.) That the battle of Poitiers was fought on Sept. 19, 30 Edw. III.; that Edward III. died June 21, 1377, Edward his eldest son June 8 in the same year [*sic*]; and that Richard II. was crowned on July 16 in the same year, f. 212. (7.) An explanation in French of thirty-five Saxon law terms, f. 216 b. (8.) An extract from Liber Roffensis respecting Peter-pence and tythes, f. 231. (9.) An extract from a book belonging to the abbey of Feversham relating to the foundation of that abbey and to the family of King Stephen, f. 231. (10.) A curious notice of the fineness of the silver brought from different places or in different forms, to which the Mint Master, Cambiator, has to attend, f. 231 b. (11.) A writ of the King to the Sheriff that he distrain not the tenants of a Bishop for an aid exceeding in amount what the Bishop renders to the King, f. 231 b. (12.) An extract from Domesday Book concerning the manors of Wilesden and Draiton in Middlesex, f. 231 b. (13.) A Memorandum that Alexander King of Scotland, son of Alexander, took to wife Margaret daughter of Henry King of England, son of King John, at York, on the morrow of the Nativity, 1251, f. 232. (14.) A Summary of the cantreds of Wales, now almost effaced by the liquid, f. 232 b. (15.) A Catalogue of the Kings of Wessex from Ina, continued in the sovereigns of England to Henry III., but almost effaced by the same pernicious liquid, f. 232 b.* (16.) A short extract from

* With this are the following entries of the births of the elder children of King Henry II. viz.: "M. C. LII. Alienor peperit

Domesday relating to the county of Berks, and from an old chronicle respecting Babylon, f. 232 b. (17.) Table of the days on which the reigns of the successive Kings of England from Henry III. to James I. commence, in various hands, f. 241. This is printed in the *Proceedings of the Board, &c.* p. 443. (18.) A Memorandum that on Tuesday the morrow of St. Dionysius, in 18 Edw. I., and in the year 1290, all the Jews of London departed towards the sea, in order to convey themselves beyond seas under the protection of the King, f. 258 b. (19.) A Memorandum concerning the manor of Seton and the custody of the lands of Peter de Orde during the vacancy of the see of Durham after the death of Richard Le Power, f. 265 b. (20.) Two Memoranda of fealty by Odo Archbishop of Rouen to Henry III., f. 131 b., and f. 160. (21.) On one of the fly leaves, at the beginning, is written the following warning :—

> " Quatuor ista, Timor, Odium, Dilectio, Census,
> Sæpe solent hominum rectos pervertere sensus."

ii.—Diplomas.

I.—Public Charters of the Kings of England.

1. " Carta Regis Willielmi Conquisitoris de quibusdam statutis, &c." [*sic*] f. 162 b. This title is in the recent hand, the original being without a title. This charter is printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 1, from this copy.

Duci Norm. Willielmum.—M. C. LV. Alienor peperit Henricum. —M. C. LVI. Peperit Matildem. — M. C. LVII. Ricardum apud Oxoniam.—M. C. LVIII. Galfridum.— M. C. LXII. Alienor apud Rothamagum."

2. " Carta ejusdem R. W. de appellatis pro aliquo maleficio Franco vel Anglico," f. 163. This title is in the original hand. This is also printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 2, from this book.

3. " Carta R. H. primi fil. R. W. de libertatibus concessis Anglis, et habuit quilibet comitatus talem," f. 163 b. This is printed first among the charters prefixed to the Statutes. Another copy of it which is found in another part of this book has been spoken of before. This is a copy of that which was transmitted to Samson the Bishop, Urso de Abitot, and all the Barons and liege men (fidelibus) as well French as English, of Wirecestreshire.

4. " De Falsariis Monetæ," f. 163 b. This charter of King Henry I. is also in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 12, printed from this book, where the copy is of that sent into Worcestershire, being addressed to Samson and Urso.

5. " De comitatibus et hundredis certis locis tenendis," f. 164. This is in the Fœdera from the original before us, vol. i. p. 12. It is transcribed into this book from the copy sent into Worcestershire.*

6. " Forma concordiæ inter R. Steph. et Ducem Henricum confirmat'." f. 164. Printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 18.

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* These two charters are placed in the Fœdera among those of the anni incerti in the reign of Henry I. But from the circumstance of the three being addressed to the same parties we may infer that they are contemporaneous instruments with the Charter of Liberties which was granted by the King on his coronation. Samson the Bishop was not alive after A.D. 1112.

7. A Charter of King Henry II. granting certain privileges to the citizens of London. This charter is without date of time; the place is Westminster, and it has for witnesses Th. Archbishop of Canterbury, R. Bishop of London, Philip Bishop of Baieulx, Th. the Chancellor, and others, f. 131 b. In the earliest hand.

8. "Hoc est breve Domini Regis missum Domino [Archiepiscopo] Cant' de concessione torneamentorum in Anglia," f. 132 b. The "Forma pacis servandæ" is annexed. The whole is printed, (Fœdera, vol. i. p. 65,) from the Cott. MS. Claud. C. iv.

9. "Magna Charta," f. 234—236. The copy here given is in the form of an Inspeximus, by Stephen Archbishop of Canterbury, Henry Archbishop of Dublin, William Bishop of London, Peter Bishop of Winchester, Josceline Bishop of Bath and Glaston, Hugh Bishop of Lincoln, Walter Bishop of Worcester, William Bishop of Coventry, and Benedict Bishop of Rochester, together with Pandulf, "Domini Papæ subdiaconus et familiaris." The instrument is addressed "Omnibus Christi fidelibus," and recites the charter at length with its date at Runigmed. After which it is added, "Et ne huic formæ predictæ aliquid possit addere vel ab eadem aliquid possit subtrahi vel minui huic scripto sigilla nostra apposuimus." The Inspeximus has no date, but it is of even date with the charter itself. This copy has been used in preparing the edition of the Great Charter in the publication of The Statutes, vol. i. p. 9, and has supplied the various readings which are marked by the letter R.

10. "Magna Carta. Carta de Libertatibus con-

cessis magnatibus Angliæ," f. 183 and 184. This is the charter of King Henry III., granted in the 9th of his reign, A. D. 1224–5. The copy in the Statutes, vol. i. p. 22, is printed from one in the archives of the Chapter of Durham, collated with two or three other transcripts, one of which is this in the Liber Rubeus, which has supplied the various readings marked R. The names of the witnesses are omitted. It is immediately followed by the sentence of excommunication pronounced by Benedict Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by several other prelates, in the Great Hall at Westminster in the presence of the King, his brother, the Earls and other optimates of the realm, on the 2nd of the ides of May 1253, against all persons who shall violate the charters. This sentence is printed in the Statutes, vol. i. p. 6, from this book.

II.—Statutes.

1. "Provisio de Anno Bissextili et Die." This title is taken from the printed Statutes, vol. i. p. 7, there being no title in this book, where it is only said to be "Provisio Dñi H. R. fil. R. I. et magnatum suorum facta apud Wrades' [Windes'] anno regni sui XL°." The Liber Rubeus has supplied the text of this statute; f. 197 b.

2. "Anno ab Incarnatione Dñi M°.CC°.LIX°., regni autem Regis Henrici filii Regis Johannis XLIII°., convenientibus apud Westm' in Quindena Sancti Mich. ipso Domino Rege et magnatibus suis, de communi consilio et consensu dictorum Regis et magnatum, factæ sunt provisiones subscriptæ et per ipsos Regem et magnates puplicatæ in hunc modum." This is the introduction to the

Statute, printed in the great collection, vol. i. p. 8, and there entitled "De Provisionibus factis per Regem et Concilium suum." The copy printed is from one on the Close Roll, collated with another on the Patent Roll. The copy in the Red Book has not been used; f. 181 and 182.

3. "Provisiones factæ apud Marleberg', present' Dño Rege H. et R. Rege Alem', et Dño Edwardo fil' ejusdem H. Regis primogenito, et Dño Octobono tunc Legato in Anglia," f. 243 and 244. This book has afforded the text for the printed copy, (Statutes, vol. i. p. 19,) which has been collated with several other copies.

4. "Statutum de Religiosis," f. 246 b. In the printed Statutes, vol. i. p. 51, but this was not amongst the copies which were used in that work. The copies there used differ in some points among themselves; this copy differs from them all in wanting both the introductory and the concluding clause.

5. "Quod nemo occasionetur pro morte Petri de Gavestone," f. 10. This is placed here amongst the Statutes, in conformity with the printed collection, vol. i. p. 169, where the substance of this writ, which is addressed in the King's name to the Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer, is given; the date is October 15, 7 Edward II. Similar writs were addressed to many public officers.

6. "Statutum editum apud Lincoln', anno xi°. R. E. filii R. E." f. 276 b. This is commonly called the Statute of Sheriffs. In the printed work, but no reference to this copy of it.

7. "Statutum Eborac'." This title is taken from the printed Statutes, vol. i. p. 177, there being no

title in the book. It is printed from the Statute Roll, and there is no notice of any collation with this copy. This copy, however, is one of authority, being a transcript of one which was sent to the Exchequer as soon as passed. The writ, tested at York, December 1, in the twelfth year of the reign of Edward son of Edward, directs that it shall be published in the Exchequer, and its provisions punctually observed; f. 274 b.

III.—Documents relating to the Foreign Relations of the Country.

A.—The Affairs of the Emperor Frederick II.

1. Letter from him to the King of the French, announcing his intended marriage with Isabella, a sister of the King of the English [Henry III.] Dated Fanum, April 25, 8 Indiction; f. 171.

2. Bull of Pope Gregory to the King of the French, respecting the intended marriage of the Emperor with the sister of the King of the English. Perusium, 16 kal. Maii, 9th of his pontificate; f. 171.

3. "Conquestio Frederici Imperatoris de injuriis ei illatis per Papam," f. 172—174. This is a general title, in the ancient hand, to the transcripts of four letters, addressed by the Emperor to his brother-in-law Henry (III.) King of the English. The dates are,

1. Viterbium. xvi. Martii, xiii. Indictione.
2. In depopulatione Escul', xviii. Julii, xiii. Indictione.
3. In obsidione Favent', xiii. Septembr', xiiii. Indictione.
4. Favent', xviii. Maii, xiiii. Indictione.*

* It appears from this arrangement of the four letters,

Of these, all except the first are in the printed Fœdera, vol. i. p. 236, 238, 241, printed from copies on the Close Roll, but without the dates.

Relating to the same disputes between the Emperor and the Pope are three other letters, written by Frederick at a later period; f. 176 b—179 b.

1. Taurinum, pridie Augusti, III. Indictione, addressed to the Earls, Barons, &c. of England.
2. Salm', XV. Aprilis, IV. Indictione, addressed to the King, Henry III.
3. Without date, to all the Sovereigns of Christendom.

There is a fourth letter entered between 1 and 2, without date, or name of writer or of the person to whom it is addressed.

None of these are in the Fœdera.

B.—France.

1. "Littera Regis Franc', testificans renunciationem appellationum et actionum, quam Amanenus de Lebreto miles fecit Domino Regi Angl' coram predicto Rege Franc'," f. 10 b. Dated at Pissiacum, 2 July 1313.

2. "Littera Regis Franc' per quam remittit Regi Angl' nunc, et patri suo, ac eorum ministris, officialibus, et subditis dicti R. Angl' de partibus Vascon', omnem forisfacturam terrarum, penam pecuniariam et aliam quamcunque in quibus possent incidisse propter inobediencias seu alias in-

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which are entered consecutively in the manuscript, that the Emperor Frederick II. in his diplomas used the year of the Indiction commencing on the first day of September.

jurias commissas, usque diem dat' ejusdem litteræ, &c." Dated Pissiacum, 2 July 1313; f. 10 b.

Only the latter of these is in the Fœdera, vol. ii. pars i. p. 220. It is there printed from the original in the Treasury of the Court of the Receipt of the Exchequer.

A Memorandum is added, that both these letters were delivered to the Chamberlains on Tuesday the Vigil of St. Peter ad Vincula, viz. July 31, in the 7th year [Edward II.], to be preserved in the King's Treasury.

3. "Carta Philippi Regis Franciæ in Gallico facto [*sic*] Domino E. Regi Angliæ de relaxatione appellationum de terra Vascon' ad terminum vitæ, &c., 1286," f. 8. Printed in the Fœdera, from the original in the Tower, vol. i. p. 665.

C.—Flanders.

1. A Treaty made at Dover, on the 14 kal. April, between Henry King of England, and Henry his son and heir, on the one part, and Theodorick Earl of Flanders, and Philip his son and heir, on the other; f. 164 b.

2. "Carta Recognitionis serviciorum quæ Com' Flandr' et Castellani facere debent Regi Angl'," f. 165 b.

Both these are printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. pp. 22, 23. from the originals in the Treasury of the Court of the Receipt of the Exchequer, but with some defects, which might be supplied from this copy. They are also in the Liber Niger, and printed by Hearne, pp. 23—36.

3. "Transcriptum litteræ Regis directæ Comiti Flandr', per quam insinuat eidem quod Scoti et

eorum adherentes et fautores excommunicati sunt per Papam, et excitat ipsum Comitem consulendo ne per se vel suos subditos communicet cum eisdem," f. 237. This letter is addressed to Earl Robert, and is dated " Ebor', 15 Mar. anno r. n. duodecimo [Edwardi II.]"

D.—Scotland.

1. A letter to Pope Alexander from William King of Scotland, concerning the subjection of the Church of Scotland to the Archbishop of York, f. 176.

2. " Hec est conventio et finis quam Willielmus Rex Scotiæ fecit cum Domino suo Henrico Rege Angl' filio Matildæ Imperatricis," f. 166. This is the commencement of the convention, which is printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 30, from a great roll in the Treasury of the Court of the Receipt of the Exchequer, without this beginning, which is in the ancient hand. There is also a title in the Liber Rubeus which differs from that in the Fœdera, viz. " Carta Reg. Scoc' de homagio facto Regi Angl' de terra Scociæ et super multis aliis." The names of the witnesses are not given, but there are some variations in the text not unworthy of notice. There is also at the close the following remark:— " Huic cartæ appendent sigilla Willielmi Regis Scociæ, Episcopi Sancti Andreæ, Episcopi Duneceldensis, Simonis de Toni Episcopi Mormiæ, David fratris Regis Scociæ, Comitis Dunikani, Comitis Walteri, Comitis Danegus', et Ricardi de Morevill." There is a copy in the Liber Niger. See note at p. 167, and Hearne, vol. i. p. 36.

3. " Carta R. Ricardi per quam adquietavit Regi

Scociæ homagium suum et castra expressa contra priores conventiones," f. 166 b. Printed in the Fœdera, from the original in the Treasury, vol. i. p. 50.

4. "Carta conventionis inter R. Angl' et Reg' Scoc' de comitatibus Norhumbr', Cumbr', Westm', et de quibusdam terris," f. 174 b. Printed in the Fœdera, from the Patent Rolls, vol. i. p. 233.

5. To these may be added, though not properly a diploma, a copy of the Placita at York before the King in Parliament, between John King of Scotland and Magdulph Earl of Fife, 21 Edward I., f. 255 b. It is printed in *The Rolls of Parliament*, I. 112.

Also, 6. Copies of other Placita relating to the possessions in England of the King of Scotland in the 21, 34, and 35 of Edward I., f. 269 b.—272 b. The lands are Tyndale, Penrith, and Soureby.

E.—The Pope.

1. "Bulla per quam Papa Innocentius tertius confirmat litteras Regis Johannis de concessione liberarum electionum in omnibus ecclesiis Angliæ tam cathedralibus quam conventualibus, et inseruntur predictæ litteræ in hac Bulla," f. 273 b. This is printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 127, from the original in the Treasury of the Court of Receipt of the Exchequer.

2. "Gregorii Papæ Mandatum, ut Rex H. qui est minoris ætatis permittatur ad disponend' de regno et regni negotiis, eo quod virtutes ejus supplent ætatem," f. 171. This title is in the ancient hand. Printed in the Fœdera, from this book,

vol. i. p. 190; but it is not there observed, that in the Liber Rubeus it is added that the Pope wrote in the same manner to the Bishop of Winchester, to H. de Burgo the Justiciar of England, and W. de Briewere, with some variations, which are exhibited; to the Earl of Chester, with other variations; and to the Elect of Chichester, the Vice Chancellor, with still other variations.

3. " . . . . . Cant' de visitandis subditis Episcoporum." This is from Gregory the Pope to E[dmundus] Archbishop of Canterbury. No date; f. 122 b. Not in the Fœdera.

4. A Bull of Pope Boniface to all the ecclesiastics throughout England, dated at the Lateran, 4 kal. Marcii, 7th of his pontificate, relating to the affairs of Sicily; fly leaf. Not in the Fœdera; but two bulls are inserted of the same date, addressed to the King, vol. i. p. 928.

5. A Bull of Pope Boniface to Edward King of England, dated at the Lateran, 4 id. Marcii, in the 8th of his pontificate, relating to tenths required from the clergy; fly leaf. Not in the Fœdera.

6. A Bull of Pope Clement to Edward King of England, respecting the same levy; dated at Avinion, 7 kal. Junii, in the 4th of his pontificate; fly leaf. Not in the Fœdera, though one of the same date is there, vol. ii. p. 75.

7. A Bull of Pope John, addressed to King Edward II., relating to an annual assessment of 1,000 marks. Dated at Avinion, 6 kal. Junii, 4th of his pontificate, f. 269. Not in the Fœdera, though one of the same date is there, vol. ii. p. 425.

8. A Declaration, addressed " Omnibus Christi fidelibus," made by William Marshall Earl of Pem-

broke, Meilerus filius Henrici, and others, in the name of the whole magnates of Ireland, expressing their astonishment that the Pope should propose to absolve the subjects of the King of England from their allegiance, and expressing strong attachment to the King, and their intention to support the just rights of the English Crown. The document is without date. It ends thus:—"Et in hujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras patentes ei fecimus," f. 180. This very important declaration, (of the genuineness of which I presume no doubt can be entertained,) was made during the time of the disputes between King John and Pope Innocent. It is not in the Fœdera.

9. "Littera Roberti quondam Linc' Episcopi," f. 179 b. This is the famous letter of Grosteste to Pope Innocent IV., in 1253, of which there is a copy in Matthew Paris's History, Watts' edition, p. 582.

10. A correspondence, consisting of four letters, between German Archbishop of Constantinople and the Pope, Gregory; two from German, and two from the Pope; the last dated at the Lateran, 16 kal. Junii, in the 7th of his pontificate; f. 167—170.

There is also a catalogue of thirty-three Bulls, which were delivered into the Exchequer on the 20th of April, in the 8th of Edward II., by John de Sandale, the Chancellor, and which, on Friday the Feast of St. James the Apostle, were delivered to the Chamberlains to be laid up in the Treasury. They had been found among the papers of John Franceys, formerly the Clericus Regis. They were of the following Popes: Alexander III., Gregory VIII., Innocent III., Innocent IV., Gregory X., John XXI., Nicholas III., Martin IV.,

Nicholas IV., Boniface VIII., and Clement V. Also of nine Bulls of Pope John XXII., which were delivered to the Chamberlain on 26th July, in 12 Edward II.; f. 267 b—269.

iii.—Evidences of the King's Title to various Possessions.

1. Grant by Henry de Pynkeney to Edward the King of his manor of Wedon-Pynkeney, in the county of Northampton, with the advowson of the priory in the said town, &c. Dated 4th September, 29 of Edward son of Henry; fly leaf.

2. Another grant between the said parties of the capital messuage of Wedon, and of various knights' fees in divers counties. No date, but delivered in pleno scaccario, to be kept in the King's Treasury, 12th May, 30 Edward; fly leaf.

3. Grant by Will. de Cleidon to Edward the King of a water-mill at Oreford. No date; but delivered to the Chamberlain in full Exchequer 22d Feb. 34 Edward; fly leaf.

4. Grant by Peter de Gavaston Earl of Cornwall to Edward the King of his manors of Crokham and Lechampstede, county Berks. 19th May, 1 Edward; f. 4.

5. Grant by Philip Balun of London to Edward the King of 40*s.* rent, from a tenement at the Brokene-Wharf in London, which was formerly Roger le Bigod's, Earl of Norfolk and Marshal of England, deceased; 5 May, 2 Edward. f. 4.

6. Omnibus, &c. Bartholomeus de Badlesmere. Whereas King Edward had granted to him and Margaret his wife all the lands and tenements which Alexander de Balliol holds by the law of

England, of the inheritance which was Isabella's, his late wife, and which by occasion of felony, which John, formerly Earl of Asceles, son and heir of the said Isabel, committed, for which he was hung, comes after the death of the said Alexander to the said Lord the King as his escheat, viz. the castle and manor of Chilham, &c., co. Kent, and the manors of Redeling Welde, Kyngeston, Hatfeld, and Whitstaple, &c. to hold for term of life; and whereas he holds the reversion of the manors of Heghtredbury, Colerne, and Steurte, in Wilts, which John de la Mare holds for term of life of the inheritance which was William de Montefort's; he grants the reversion of those manors after his own death, and that of Margaret his wife, to the King, in exchange for the reversion of the other manors to his heirs. Dated 14th July, the 5th of the King; f. 4 b.

7. Henricus, &c. To the Archbishops, &c. Whereas Osbert son of Ralph de Bolebeck has surrendered, in our court at Westminster, all the bailiwick of Haie and forest of Scallby, which he held of us, and all lands, &c. in Levesham, Loketon, Pikering, and Newton, to the use of Hugh le Bigod, &c. Confirmation, 27th May, 40th of his reign; fly leaf.

8. Omnibus, &c. John de Bar, &c. Whereas Edward King of England has granted him 1,000 marks land of the lands of his enemies in Scotland, &c., he releases it for 3,000 marks, which the King has granted him to be received of the company of the Friscobaldi of Florence. 10th May, 1306. Fly leaf.

9. Quit-claim from Thomas Wale to King

Edward of his wood in the county of Northampton, between the trench which is called Barnete and the King's forest of Whialewode. Feast of St. George, 2d of the King; f. 6.

10. Grant to the King of a small rent from John de Buttetour, Lord of the manor of Gosefield in Essex, in exoneration of the Warden and his Brethren of the order of the Minors of Colchester, for a like rent rising out of a piece of land which the King had given them. 7th of May, 2d of the King [Edward II.]; f. 6.

11. Peter de Gaveston. Quit-claim to the King of the county of Gaura, and castles of Talamon, Tantalon, and Mauleon, and lands in Gascony which the King had granted him. 4th August, 3d of the King [Edward II.]; f. 6 b.

12. Peter de Gaveston. Quit-claim to the King of the castle, manor, and honor of Knaresborough, which the King had granted him to hold for term of life by such service as was formerly rendered by Edmund Earl of Cornwall. 26th July, 3 Edward II.; f. 6 b.

13. Quit-claim from the said Peter and Margaret his wife of the castle of Skipton, honors of the High Peak, and of Cockermouth, &c. of which the King had enfeoffed them. 5th August, 3d of Edward son of Edward; f. 7.

14. "Obligatio Abbatis et Conventus de Hida, Wynton." 9th June, 3d of the King; f. 8 b.

15. Charter of Robert de Clifford of his lands of Munmuthe, &c. given to the King in exchange for the castle of Skipton. 10th August, 4th of the King; f. 8 b.

16. Grant from Katherine Audley to Sir James de Perrers [*sic*] and Ela his wife, her daughter, of the castle and town of Thlanundavery in Wales, 6 Edw. II., f. 9.

17. Fine, 5 Edward II., between John de Clavering, querent, and Stephen de Trafford, deforciant, of the manors of Werkeworth and Roubury in Northumberland, to the said John, with remainder to the King; f. 9 b.

18. Fine, 5 Edward II., between the same parties, of the manors of Newburn and Corbridge in Northumberland, to the said John, with remainder to the King if John die without male heirs of his body; f. 9 b.

19. Fine between the said John and Hawisa his wife, and the said Stephen, of the manor of Eure in Bucks; remainder to the King after the death of John and Hawisa *; f. 10.

20. Various documents relating to the affairs of Isabel de Fortibus Countess of Albemarle, who had made the King her heir; f. 11 b—15, in a hand of the time:—

a. A writ in the King's name to Gilbert de Roubur', requiring him to give up all records, &c., which relate to the lands of the said Isabel; 14th May, 8th of his reign, [i. e. Edward I.]

b. "Examinationes quorundam super confectionem cartæ Comitissæ Albemarl' factæ

* At f. 13 is a memorandum that the charters of divers Kings of England concerning manors and lands given to Robert Fitz Roger and other ancestors of John de Clavering are inrolled in the memoranda of the fifth year of Edward II., Michaelmas Term.

Domino Regi de quibusdam terris de quibus infra fit mentio, et de redditione earundem." The witnesses examined were, Walter Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, William de Gaynesburgh, Richard de Aston, and Gilbert de Knovil.*

c. The charter of the said Isabel, by which she enfeoffed the King of the Isle of Wight. Dated at Stokwell prope Lamhyeth, Monday next before the Feast of St. Martin in the winter, 1293.

d. Quit-claim of the said Countess of the manor of Honiton. The same date.

e. Acquittance of 6,000 marks due according to the tenor of the preceding charters. Dated at Stokwell near London, the Wednesday next before the feast of St. Martin. 21 Edward, f. 15.

The three charters last named were delivered to the Chamberlains of the Exchequer in a certain box under the seal of Harvey de Stanton, Baron of the said Exchequer, on May 17, in the 9th of Edward son of Edward.

f. " Recognitio Isabellæ de Fortibus Comitissæ Albemarl'," f. 248 b, relates to an annual payment by Adam de Stratton.

g. " Acquietatio comitatus Albemarl' facta Regi," f. 249 b. This is the acquittance given by John de Eston for any claim which he might have on the lands which were those of Avelina de Fortibus, Coun-

* Printed in *Cooper on Records*, vol. ii. pp. 476—480.

tess of Albemarle, in England or Normandy, in consideration of the manor of Appletrewick in Craven, granted to him by the King.

21. "Carta Ric. de Pyvelesdon de quibusdam terris et tenementis in Walliâ redditis in manu Regis," f. 13.

22. Grant to the King by Henry the Dean and the Chapter of St. Mary of Lincoln, that for considerations therein named there should be a chaplain at the altar of St. John the Baptist, in the church of Lincoln, to pray for the King, Isabel his consort, Edward their son, and their other children, and for the souls of Edward the late King and Eleanor his Queen, a part of whose remains lies buried before the said altar, &c. Dated on the vigil of the Purification, 1315, f. 13 b.

23. Charters relating to the grant of the Warren lands to the King:—

a. Grant by John de Warrenna Earl of Surrey to the King of all his lands; dated on Thursday next after the feast of St. Peter and Paul, 9 Edward. Of this charter three copies were made, two to remain in the Treasury in the custody of the Chamberlains, and the third in the King's Wardrobe. They were delivered accordingly on July 8, 10th of the King, f. 15 b.

b. "Carta Johannis de Warren Comitis Surr', de castro et villâ de Reygate, et aliis castris, villis, et maneriis in com. Surr' et Sussex', ac etiam in Wall', concessis Domino Regi et heredibus suis." Dated 14th May, 19 Edward II., f. 314.

c. "Scriptum predicti Comitis Surr' per quod quietumclamavit Domino R. castra, maneria, villas, terras, et tenementa in com' Ebor', et etiam maneria et villas de Staunford et Grantham cum pertinentiis in comitatu Lincoln'." 7th May, 19 Edward II., f. 314.

d. "Scriptum Edmundi Comitis Arundell de conventione factum Domino Regi." 19th May, 19 Edward II., f. 314 b.

24. Fine, by which Theobald le Butiller recognizes the advowson of the church of Kyrkeham to be the right of the King. 8 Edward I., f. 246 b.

25. Fine, by which Robert the Abbot of St. John of Colchester surrenders the advowson of the church of St. Mary of Ledred to the King, f. 247 b.

26. Grant from Ralph Pipard, Knight, to the King of all his castles, lands, &c., in Ireland, 13 Edward, f. 247 b.

27. Grant by Matthew Bishop of Laon to Edward the King, of the manor of Rostre in Gascony, f. 249.

28. Grant by Gilbert Peche, Knight, of the manor of Westclive to King Edward, f. 249.

29. Grant by Hugh de Plessetis to King Edward of the manor of Hedindon, f. 249 b.

30. Acquittance from Dionysia de Monte Canisio to the King and Queen Alianor of all services due to her in the manor of Quenenden, which they have of the grant of William de Monte Canisio, f. 249 b.

31. Acquittance from John Bishop of Winchester to the King of all claim in the manor of Sweyneston in the Isle of Wight, 12 Edward, f. 250.

32. Grant to the King from John Bishop of Winchester of the manor of Sweyneston in the Isle of Wight, and the advowsons of the churches of Coulburn, Brixton, Berested, and Brerding. 12 Edward, f. 250.

33. Prior and Chapter of St. Swithin of Winchester confirm the preceding grant, f. 250.

34. Grant from Christiana de Mariscis to King Edward and Queen Alianor of the manor of Curton in Kynaleyhan, in com. Weseford, f. 250 b.; and another general grant of all her knights' fees and advowsons in Ireland, f. 251.

35. Grant and quit-claim from John de Cancellis to Edward the King of the manor of Liston in Devon; 13 Edward, f. 250 b.

36. Anselmus de Eyfe quitclaims to the King 100*s.* annual rent in the manor of Benstede belonging to the King, which he has of the gift of John de Burgo; f. 251.

37. Grant from Robert Abbot de Ponte Roberti to the King, of "unam wallam cum ferlanda et dicdelve secundum consuetudinem marisci;" 18 Edward, f. 252 b.

38. "Scriptum Adæ de Brom clerici, per quod concessit et quietumclamavit Domino Regi E. fil. E. quædam tenementa in parochiâ Be. Mariæ Oxon. et unum messuagium quod vocatur La Perillouse-halle;" 19 Edward II., f. 315 b.

39. "Littera Patens Prioris et conventus de Eye de advocationibus ecclesiarum de Thornedon et de Melles in com. Suff. concessis dicto Regi," f. 315 b.

40. "Littera Patens Hugonis de Louthre, Militis, de Pelo et medietate villæ de Staworth concessis Domino Regi Ed. fil. R. E." 1326; f. 316.

41. " Littera Patens predicti Hugonis de attorn' ad liberand' seisinam Domino Regi de Pelo et medietate villæ de Staworth predictis," 1326; f. 316.

42. " Littera Patens Johannæ de Dryby Dominæ de Tateshale de purparte suâ tolbothe villæ de Lenn et custumæ aquæ ibidem, ac tenementis suis in eâdem villâ et suburbio ejusdem concessis Regi E. fil. E." with letter to deliver seisin, 1325; f. 316 b.

43. " Littera patens Majoris, ballivorum, et burgensium villæ de Lenn, per quas certificarunt Regi quod dictus Eustachius liberavit seisinam dictæ purpartis et tenementorum predictorum Johanni Howard et Johanni Harsyk per Literas R. Patentes ad recipiend' seisinam predictam assignatis," 20 Edward II.; f. 316 b.

44. Nine instruments relating to transactions between King Edward III. and the De la Poles, from the twenty-eighth to the forty-first year of his reign; f. 317 b—320.; viz.

a. " Scriptum Willielmi de la Pole senioris, Militis, factum domino Regi de mille marcis annuis." The annual sum was to be taken by half-yearly payments out of his lands in Yorkshire or elsewhere in England during the life of Catherine his wife. Dated at Westminster, 1st March, 29 Edward III.

b. " Scriptum Willielmi de la Pole senioris, Militis, factum domino Regi de ducentis libris annuis." This instrument bears date the same day and place with the preceding. The annuity was to be taken for ever out of his lands in Yorkshire or elsewhere in England. A memorandum in the margin

that this instrument was given up to the grantor.

c. " Indentura facta inter dominum Regem et Willielmum de la Pole seniorem, Militem," reciting the two fore-mentioned grants, and declaring that if the said Catherine shall release to the king her dower out of the manor of Brustwick in Holderness and its dependencies, to wit, the manors and towns of Cleton, Petit Humber, Burton Pidse, Outhorn, Wythornse, Skeftelyng, Kilnese, Esyngton, Preston, Bondebrustwyk, Ravensere, Hedon, Barowe, Paghelflete, Sprotleye, Lelle Dyk, and Elstanwyk, together with the wapentake of Holdernesse and a ferm called the Serjeancy of the Crown, which are members and appurtenances of the said manor of Brustwick ; and out of 210 acres of land and 92 acres of meadow of the demesne lands of the said manor of Brustwick in Skeftlyng and the said towns of Lelle Dyk and Elstanwyk ; and of the towns and hamlets of Northorp, Hoton, Synthorp, and Dymelton ; and of 20 bovates of land with the appurtenances which are called Rugemound ; and of the manor or town of Skipse, with the hamlet of Newhithe ; and of the homages and services of the free tenants in Holme ; and also of the manors of Gryngeleye and Wheteleye in the county of Nottingham ; and of an annual rent of 260 marks which the said William takes of the issues of the antient customs of wools and woolfells at the port of Kingston-upon-

Hull; and of all other lands and tenements which the said William has of the gift and grant of our lord the king; all which said manors, &c., the said William has surrendered into the hands of our lord the king; then the said writing of 1,000 marks shall lose its force. The king also grants for himself and his heirs, that if Edmund de la Pole, son of the said William, shall prosecute no claim to the manor of Kayngham, which the king had granted to him and to Thomas his brother, and which they had surrendered again into the hands of the king, but shall make a full release and quitclaim thereof within three years after he has attained his full age, that then the grant of the annuity of 200*l.* shall be null and void. Further the said William covenants that the said Catherine and Edmund shall come before the council of our lord the king, and there swear on the holy evangelists in the presence of a notary to the observance of the premises. This indenture was sealed Westminster, on 4th March in 29 Edw. III.

d. " Relaxatio facta Regi per Willielmum de la Pole de omnibus debitis et superplusagiis." A general release, dated at Westminster, 20th October, 28 Edward III.

e. " Relaxatio facta Regi per Willielmum de la Pole de maneriis de Gringeleye et Whateleye." Dated at Westminster, 20th October, 28 Edward III.

f. " Relaxatio facta Regi per Willielmum de la Pole de jure suo in manerio de Brustwyk

cum membris." Dated at the same place and on the same day.

g. " Relaxatio facta Regi per Thomam et Edmundum filios Willielmi de la Pole de jure suo in manerio de Kayngham." The same date.

h. " Relaxatio facta Regi per Edmundum de la Pole de manerio de Kayngham." This recites the grant of the annuity of 200*l*. and the defeazance. The date is 23d October, 32 Edward III.

i. " Relaxatio facta domino Regi per Katerinam que fuit uxor Willielmi de la Pole de jure suo in manerio de Brustwyk cum membris, et eciam in maneriis de Gryngele et Whete-leye, in com. Nott." This release bears date at Kingston-upon-Hull, the Monday next after the feast of Saint Lucy the Virgin, 40 Edward III.

A memorandum is annexed, that this release was delivered to the chamberlains to be kept, on 16th February in 41 Edward III. There is also a like memorandum that the eight former instruments were delivered to the treasurer and chamberlains to be preserved in the Treasury, on 7th December, 32 Edward III.

45. " Relaxatio facta Domino Regi per Hugonem de Calvilegh Chr'," f. 321. An acquittance to Richard II. of all monies due to him from King Edward III. for services in the war, with certain claims reserved; 20th May, 3 Ric. II.

46. Grant, by John Symme of Wrytelmarsh in Kent to King Richard II., of six acres and a half

of wood near the King's park of Eltham, and which King Edward III. had inclosed within the park of Eltham; 12 Richard II., f. 321 b.

47. Grant, by John Ricards of Writelmersh, of four acres of the same wood to the King; 12 Richard II., f. 321 b.

48. Grant, from Thomas the Abbot of the monastery of St. Peter of Chertsey, and the whole convent, to King Henry V., of the manor of Petrisham in Surrey, and the advowson of the church of Ewell; 3 Henry V., f. 322.

49. Quit-claim from John de Litegreyves to the King [Edward] of all right in the town of Mitford, &c. 18 April, 4th of the King; f. 244 b.

II.

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IN the Appendix to the Report there are only a few lines of prefatory matter to this catalogue. It would have been impertinent in me to have intruded on the Commission much of what will be found in the present introduction, the life of a collector or an author being but remotely connected with his remains. To give the particulars of his life came not within the scope of my instructions; and a question might have been raised whether some particulars concerning the collection itself were included in those instructions, or would have been in harmony with catalogues of other Oxford libraries which it was intended should accompany that which I had framed. In this my own private undertaking I feel myself more at liberty. Dodsworth is a man whose name is often mentioned; for what writer of critical history has not been more or less indebted to his labours? But he presents himself to us little more than a name only, no one having troubled himself to collect the materials of the life of one

who did so much to preserve the memory of other men. I do not propose, however, to supply this deficiency in the history of English historical literature, but only to furnish some materials which may be used by those who may hereafter illustrate the course of historical inquiry in England in the seventeenth century, the period of its highest glory. It was the age of Savile, Camden, Spelman, Cotton, Selden; and of D'Ewes, Dodsworth, and Dugdale.

Though little is really known of the life and studies of Dodsworth, it is not that he has been without testimonies to his high deserts. I shall set out with presenting two of these to the reader, both from men themselves eminent for antiquarian and historical learning, which will prepare him to endure any minuteness of detail he will afterwards find.

"We cannot approach the borders of this county "[Yorkshire] without paying tribute to the memory of "that indefatigable collector of its antiquities, Roger "Dodsworth, who undertook and executed a work, which "to the antiquaries of the present age would have been "the stone of Tydides. One hundred and twenty-two "volumes of his own writing, besides original manuscripts "which he had obtained from several hands, making "altogether one hundred and sixty-two volumes folio, now "lodged in that grand repository of our ancient muni-"ments the Bodleian Library (at Oxford), are lasting "memorials what this county owes to him, as the two "volumes of the Monasticon (which, though published "under his and Dugdale's names conjointly, were both "collected and written totally by m) will immortalize "that extensive industry which has laid the whole king-"dom under obligation."—*British Topography*, by Richard Gough, Esq., 1780, vol. ii. p. 395.

Hearne does not often indulge in such flights as he has taken in the following passage:—"I never look upon "these volumes (and I have frequent occasion to inspect "them) without the utmost surprise and wonder; and "I cannot but bless God that he was pleased out of

" his infinite goodness and mercy to raise up so pious and " diligent a person, that should, by his blessing, so effec- " tually discover and preserve such a noble treasure of " antiquities as is contained in those volumes; most of " the things in them are written with his own hand; and " sometimes the genealogical tables, and the notes upon " them are done with that exquisite care and judgment, " that I cannot but think much otherwise of this eminent " person than the author of the *Athenæ Oxonienses*. For " it plainly appears to me that his judgment and saga- " city were not inferior to his diligence; and I see no " reason to doubt but that if he had lived to have written " the antiquities of Yorkshire (as he once designed) it " would have appeared in a very pleasing and entertaining " method and in a proper, elegant style, and would have " been set out with all other becoming advantages." Preliminary Observations to Willis's Mitred Abbies, *Leland's Collectanea*, ed. 1774, vol. vi. p. 78.

The passage in Wood to which Hearne expresses his dissent is this:—" He was a person of wonderful industry, " but less judgment; was always collecting and tran- " scribing, but never published any thing." * The memory of Dodsworth must not be flattered. He is rather to be regarded as one of the pioneers of literature; and there is certainly no evidence that he possessed the power of combination, which is what both Wood and Hearne mean by " judgment." He certainly must be regarded as having shown a disinclination to the attempt. It is perhaps no reproach to his memory that he failed to execute any one of the three magnificent literary designs which during his life he kept constantly in view, for few can tell the difficulties and obstacles in the way of accomplishing any vast design of literary labour; but it is not so easy to explain why he left no specimen of his power of combination on any smaller scale, no history of a monastery, a family, or a parish, except on the supposition that

* *Ath. Oxon.—Fasti*, vol. ii. col. 699. ed. 1692.

he felt a repugnance to the attempt. Even in the Monasticon he piled document upon document, so that the work resembles rather one of those piles of Cyclopean architecture than a finished work of Grecian art. There is nothing in it of the *callida junctura.* It is an unwise act of affection to his memory to attempt to rest his fame on any thing than that by wonderful exertion and industry he prepared materials to be used by other men, and has preserved a prodigious mass of information for historical writers, which is now no where to be found but in his volumes.

Dr. Whitaker pronounces a more discriminative judgment: with him Dodsworth is " a man whom it is impos-" sible for an antiquary to name without veneration; not " for any acuteness of observation or felicity of con-" jecture, nor for having illustrated or adorned any indi-" vidual subject; but for the self-devotion of having " consumed his life in the unceasing toil of accumulating " materials for future topographers at a period when those " materials were on the point of perishing and being for-" gotten for ever." *History of Richmondshire*, vol. ii. p. 76.

The *Monasticon Anglicanum* is the only printed work to which the name of Dodsworth is prefixed. In the title page to the first volume his name stands before that of Dugdale. The date of that volume is 1655, the year after Dodsworth's decease. A question has been raised respecting the relative shares of Dodsworth and Dugdale in that work. A letter of Dugdale, recently brought to light, seems to decide the question.* He allows that two thirds of the work were Dodsworth's, one third his own; but he says the labour of bringing the work to what it was rested wholly on himself. He hesitated about placing his name in the title page at all, and was induced to do so by the representations of Rushworth, who had done much to promote the design. The name of Dodsworth stands first

* *Illustrations of Literary History*, by John Nichols, vol. iv. p. 62.

in the second volume also, which was not published till 1661. To the third volume only Dugdale's name is prefixed. It must on the whole be allowed that we ought rather to say Dodsworth's Monasticon than Dugdale's. Sir John Marsham's preface was the work of neither.

An English Monasticon was one of the three great designs of which I have spoken. Another was a history of the Baronage of England; towards this work he did no more than collect materials to be used by other men. He has not left us the history of a single house; for his accounts of the Butlers and the Ogles in these collections are but fragments, and are besides without texture. I do not call his genealogical schemes histories; they are extremely valuable, and of most of them it may be truly affirmed, after Hearne, that they are "done with "exquisite care and judgment." As to their form and appearance they are singularly rude, and on a first view it might appear that it would be scarcely possible to follow the courses of the lines connecting the successive generations; but all is really done with great exactness, and they carry with them, in the references to the several volumes of his collections containing the documentary evidences, very satisfying proofs of the authentic character of the innumerable facts contained in them.

The third of his great designs, each almost sufficient for the labour of a life, was a general History of the county of York. In respect of this work I cannot but be of a different opinion from Hearne. It seems to me that the reluctance to attempt combination and literary composition would have prevented him from giving to a work of this nature that unity of which, notwithstanding its compass and variety of subject, it is susceptible, or of relieving the dull detail of many minute facts, which nevertheless must be presented to the reader, by general observations or by occasional enlargement where points of peculiar curiosity or of public interest are presented. His church notes appear to me decisive to this point. He views those edifices, then, both in their structure and in the remains

of antient days contained in them, more objects of curiosity than even now they are, though still of all objects of frequent occurrence the most curious and interesting in our land, with the eye of a herald only, giving us a punctual account of the arms which he observed on them, accurate copies of any inscriptions he read in the windows or on the monumental memorials, but apparently quite unimpressed with the remains of ancient art presented to him, and never attempting to describe the fabricks themselves, or offering a conjecture or a conclusion on the evidence which they themselves present of the age to which they belong. In fact his history of Yorkshire would have been, like the topographical works of Dugdale, Thoroton, Chauncy, and Atkyns, of great value for the facts which they present, but very unlike the labours in the same department of Warton, Surtees, and Whitaker.*

Roger Dodsworth was born, as he himself informs us †, in 1585, the 28th year of Elizabeth, on the 24th day of July. The place of his birth was Newton Grange, as he also informs us in the same memorandum. This house is in the parish of Saint Oswald, or, as it is usually called, the parish of Oswald Kirk, about twenty miles north of York, in the wapentake of Rydal, in the pleasant and open country between Gilling and Helmsley. It was the residence of his maternal grandfather Ralph Sandwith, whom he calls "Esquire." He was baptized in the church of Saint Oswald. If we may suppose that he was frequently living among his relatives at this house in his childhood, we may trace the passion which he felt for feudal and monastic antiquities to impressions taken from the region in which he was born. Near to him was the ancient seat of the Fairfaxes at Gilling, where was a room, still mag-

* I mean of course Dr. Thomas Dunham Whitaker, not John Whitaker, whose excellence lay in another line. I should have thought this note unnecessary, were there not critics, who have honoured me with their notice, to whom the distinction is unknown.

† Vol. XCI. f. 67 b.

nificent, decorated with the arms of all the gentry in Yorkshire depicted on the wainscot.* A little to the north was the ancient castle of Hamlake, a name now lost in those of Helmsley and Duncombe Park, where had resided a long series of generations of the barons Roos. Near to it were the ruins of the abbey called Rievaulx, remarkable, not only for their extent and beauty, but on account of the singularly appropriate natural features of the country in which they are situated. At a short distance were the ruins of another monastery, called De Bellalanda or Biland, very near to which the father of Ralph Sandwith had resided, at Smilesworth, or Snilesworth, as the name is written by Dodsworth. George Sandwith lived before the abbies were put down, and seems to have been a tenant of Biland. There is no house concerning which we find so much in Dodsworth's collections as this. There can hardly be a doubt that his mind was early impressed by the magnificent scenes of Rievaulx and Biland, and that imagination was awakened by the stories which in the neighbourhood of them he must have heard of what had passed in their "bare ruined quires" before the sound of their sweet music was silenced.

Dodsworth has not, like his two friends D'Ewes and Dugdale, left any account of his own early impressions, his studies, and his life. We can only collect what is to be learned by accidental notices left by himself or his friends. The Sandwiths appear to have belonged to the better class of gentry of the second rank, so that by his mother Dodsworth was connected in blood with persons in respectable stations of life. It happened also that a Sandwith was at the time when Dodsworth was beginning to form his collections in a situation which enabled him to assist greatly in his designs. He was keeper of the records in Saint Mary's tower at York, a building connected with the house of the lord president of the north,

* The work of an artist named Bernard Dinninchoff, and executed in 1585, the year of Dodsworth's birth.

in which were deposited the record spoils of many of the northern monasteries. Of the fate of these records I shall have occasion to speak hereafter. The keeper in 1617 and 1623 was Thomas Sandwith; I do not observe his name in Dodsworth's pedigree of his mother's family. It must however have been by his means that Dodsworth obtained such easy access to the monastic evidences in that tower, from which some of his choicest documents were drawn.

His father too was in an office which opened to him easy access to the records of the see of York. He was the chancellor to several archbishops, and judge of the admiralty for the north parts.* His name was Matthew Dodsworth; he was a younger son of Simon Dodsworth, who acquired an estate at Setterington near Malton by his marriage with an heiress of that place, and of whom Dodsworth has recorded that he was at the field of Musselborough. It may be added, to show that on his father's side he was allied to families of respectability, that Peter Dodsworth, the father of Simon, was a younger brother of the Dodsworths of Thornton Watlas, where the eldest line of the family has remained till within the last few years. Simon Dodsworth had many children, sons and daughters, most of whom were settled in the neighbourhood of Malton, while Matthew's office of chancellor would probably occasion him to reside for the most part at York.

Archbishop Hutton, to whom the elder Dodsworth was chancellor, founded a grammar school at Warton, in the parts of Lancashire where he was born; the date 1594 is upon the building. To this school Dodsworth was sent in 1599, and remained there two years. His schoolmaster was Miles Dawson, afterwards vicar of Bolton. This is the only account we have of his education.†

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* Harl. MS. 1158. f. 75, in Dodsworth's own hand.

† It is from a note of his own in one of his manuscripts which passed into the hands of Thoresby, the Leeds antiquary. See *Vicaria Leodiensis*, 1724, p. 141.

We nowhere find to what profession or employment he was destined by his father; we find him in fact living the greater part of his life without a profession; but his fortune was small, so small that he was enabled to pursue his researches by the bounty of a patron only; if he had any professional education it was in the law.

Dates, which are afterwards profusely scattered through his writings, are wanting for the earlier years. He incidentally mentions that in the first year of King James he was present at the sorrowful sight of the suffering of a gentleman of Yorkshire of the first rank under the *peine forte et dure;* this was Mr. Calverley of Calverley, whose sad history is the groundwork of the play called the Yorke shire Tragedy, attributed by some to Shakespear.*

Two years after this, namely in 1605, we find a pedigree compiled by him, with intent to show the representatives of the co-heirs of Peter de Brus; this is the earliest direct testimony to the attachment of Dodsworth to these pursuits; after the manner of the old heralds he has placed the names in circles, a practice which he soon abandoned. This early work is bound up in vol. CXVI., or, as he called it, vol. A., the first volume of his collections.

In vol. CXLV. there are a few notes relating to Setterington which bear the date 1609; they are partly church notes and partly extracts from the evidences of his uncle Simon Bigod of Shacklethorpe.

In his volume of church notes, CLX., are notes at Rawmarsh in 1611, Sheriff-Hutton in 1613, and Birkin in 1614; but doubts may be reasonably entertained whether in one or more of these dates there is not some mistake; we have nothing else of those years. In vol. CXLV. are

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* I shall take this opportunity of correcting a mistake into which Dr. Whitaker has fallen: "Roger Dodsworth, who saw the execution, affirms that Mr. Calverley was in priest's orders, which, as he was the eldest son, is highly improbable," *Loidis and Elmete*, 1816, p. 219. Dodsworth's words are, "I saw him executed in primo Jacobi; he was prest." vol. CLX. f. 53.

a few notes from a book in the hands of Jacob Chaloner, an arms painter in London, which bear the date 1615.

He married in September 1611. His wife was the widow of Laurence Rawsthorne of Hutton-Grange near Preston in Lancashire; she was of good descent and connection in that county, being the daughter of Robert Hesketh of Rufford, Esquire, by Mary his wife, daughter and co-heir of Sir George Stanley, marshall of Ireland and captain of the Isle of Man, son of Sir James Stanley, twin brother of Thomas Earl of Derby. A large view of persons with whom this marriage brought him into connection may be seen in vol. V., LXXXI., and CLIII. Her baptismal name was Holcroft, and by her first husband she had an only daughter, who became the wife of Robert Plessington of Dimples in Lancashire.*

Hutton-Grange was for many years the home at which he resided, if one who led so rambling a life as he did can be said to have had a home; we find letters addressed to him at that place as "his house" in 1622, 1630, 1634, and 1639; but in April 1620 there is a letter addressed to him "at his house at Bisset," which I have some reason for thinking may be a place now called Visit, in the parish of Hemsworth, in Yorkshire.

As there are very many transcripts in these collections to which no date is annexed we cannot fix with certainty upon any period at which he may be said to have begun to form these collections. We have seen also that there are a few pieces to which earlier dates are given, but in 1618 and 1619 the dates become so much more numerous that I should fix upon those years as the time of the commencement of these great collections, and the entire devotion of himself to antiquarian and historical studies; especially as almost the whole of volume CXVI., the first quarto, the vol. A., and that which he himself regarded as the first volume of his collections, is made up almost entirely of matter written by him in 1619. We have

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* Harl. MS. 1158. f. 75.

nothing dated in 1617, but in 1618 we find him copying letters relating to the monasteries in the library of Sir Robert Cotton; making notes of the evidences of Thomas Bosvile of New Hall and Thomas Lewis of Marr; taking church notes at Hemsworth, Wakefield, and Dewsbury, and making a fair transcript of notes made, as it seems, before that time in the several churches of the city of York. In 1619 we have his notes in fifteen Yorkshire churches, mostly in the West Riding; he is employed in copying from a book once belonging to Kirkstal abbey, lent to him by Alexander Cooke, the vicar of Leeds; a chartulary of the hospital of St. Nicholas of Pontefract "lent "me most friendly and freely by Mr. Skipton of Ponte-"fract;" a chartulary of the college of the Holy Trinity of Pontefract, lent to him by Francis Bunny of Newland near Wakefield; two couchers of Fountains, in the possession the one of Dame Honor Proctor, the other of William Ingleby; and from the collections of John Hanson of Woodhouse, who left a few valuable topographical remains behind him. In Trinity term in that year he was in London.

There are notes in thirty-eight of the Yorkshire churches made by him in 1620, between August 11th and November 22d; they are for the most part in the West Riding; but in November he made an incursion into the East Riding, visiting Beverley and Hull; we find him in that year employed upon chartularies of Fountains, Selby, Cockersand, and Drax; on the court rolls of Wakefield; on an ancient manuscript in possession of Mr. Falkingham, a very aged inhabitant of Leeds, from whose information, when he was ninety years of age, he takes down various particulars; and on notes of Cartwright the feodary of Yorkshire, and on the evidences of Mr. Burton of Ingerthorp.

In the year 1621 he took many church notes in Yorkshire, made notes from the evidences of Mr. Washington of Adwick-le-Street, and in October and November, when in London, employed himself in making extracts from

manuscripts in the possession of Sir Robert Cotton, Sir Richard Saint George, and Ralph Starky, then the owner of the papers of Stowe, which, together with his own, fell afterwards into the hands, first, of Sir Simonds D'Ewes*, afterwards of the Earl of Oxford, and are now in the Harleian collection of manuscripts.

In Trinity term 1622 he is again in London, and again studying and transcribing at the house of Mr. Starky in Bloomsbury, and in the library of Sir Robert Cotton, which seems from the beginning of his studies to have been

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* Sir Simonds D'Ewes collected a valuable library of manuscripts, of which he thus feelingly speaks in a will made in 1639: "I bequeath to Adrian D'Ewes my young son, yet crying in the cradle, . . . my precious library, in which I have stored up for divers years past, with great care, cost, and industry, divers originals or autographs, ancient coins of gold, silver, and brass, manuscripts or written books, and such as are unprinted; and it is my inviolable injunction or behest that he keep it entire, and not sell, divide, or dissipate it. Neither would I have it locked up from farthering the public good, the advancing of which I have always endeavoured, but that all lovers of learning, of known virtue and integrity, might have access to it at seasonable times, so that they did give sufficient security to restore safely any original or autograph, any manuscript, or any other materials to be borrowed out of the same library, without blotting, erasing, or defacing it." A later Sir Simonds D'Ewes was an extravagant man, and seems to have sold every thing about the year 1716; the collection passed about that time into the possession of the Earl of Oxford. It forms a valuable and easily distinguishable portion of the Harleian library, and is still resorted to daily, as the collector of it desired, by "lovers of learning" at the Museum. It is catalogued with the rest of the manuscripts; but it is one of the defects of the Harleian catalogue that the several collections which went to form the great Harleian collection are not described apart from each other; as the D'Ewes, with its subdivisions, Starky's and Stowe's, the Holme's, and others. The preface to such a catalogue ought also to contain a history of the formation of the collection, for which excellent materials exist.

always open to him. In this term we first find him reading in the national records. He copies from Domesday Book what that book contains respecting the city of York, a labour now happily rendered unnecessary to any antiquary by the publication of the whole record. We find him labouring also in the country among the evidences of Sir Henry Goodricke and Sir Henry Savile, and making a few church notes in North Riding churches.

A letter in the Ashmolean collection, vol. DCCCXXXVI. f. 559, shows that he began to hold at this period a deputation from Sir Richard Saint George, the Norroy king at arms. It is from one Leonard Smedley, who held the deputation before him, and who complains of its being withdrawn, and of Dodsworth's conduct to him. The letter is dated Manchester, 23d September 1623.

A part of the duty of the deputies to the kings of arms was to order the funerals of the gentry and to prepare ample and accurate accounts of the state of the family of the deceased; these funeral certificates form a valuable part of the collection of attested genealogy at the College of Arms, and for the purpose of proving descents are far more valuable than any registry of births, marriages, and deaths that has yet been devised. Copies of two of his certificates, made in 1622 and 1623, are in his collections, and there are several others in the archives of the College of Arms.

In Trinity term 1623 he is again in London labouring hard in the Cotton library, and now for the first time we find him at the Tower, where he made large abstracts of many of the inquisitions. He was in correspondence this year with Vincent, who had first fully shown how the public records might be made to bear with effect upon the history of the Baronage, in his *Discovery of Errors in Brooke's Catalogue of Nobility.* In the country we find him employed in Saint Mary's tower at York, and in making a few church notes. Of what he did in 1624 we have little information, but we are not to infer that he was unemployed because, except to a few matters, no date in that

year is annexed, when so much of these collections is without any date. The same may be said of the years 1625 and 1626.

In the interval from 1626 to 1635 he appears to have been unremittingly occupied in labours similar to those we have described, making notes in churches, copying charters and chartularies, and transcribing from the private evidences of all families to which he could procure access whatever appeared to him of value. He seems rarely to have visited London, and they were families of Yorkshire and Lancashire chiefly to whose evidences he resorted. These collections contain abundant information respecting the archives of families of various ranks, where the originals have long since perished.

Another class of writings used by him in forming these collections were the papers of preceding antiquaries. Something had been done before his time in collecting out of the public records matter which illustrated the history of Yorkshire by Thomas Talbot and Richard Gascoign; something had also been done on a smaller scale by Anthony Butler in the East Riding and by Hanson, Francis Burdet, and Francis Rockley in the West Riding. Of more general collectors, he availed himself of the labours of Agard, Ferrers, Archer, Kniveton, D'Ewes, and afterwards Dugdale. Some of the collections made by these men have perished, so that these volumes of Dodsworth contain nearly all that is known of them; and particularly those of Gascoign, one of the most laborious persons who in that age of assiduity applied himself to the study of the national records, were in an unfortunate moment committed to the flames as valueless by a nobleman to whose possession they had descended, in the presence, as he himself relates, of Oldis the antiquary, who supplicated, if he did not remonstrate, in vain; this occurred in 1728. Gascoign was born six years before Dodsworth.

Amongst his antiquarian friends he by this time reckoned Sir Christopher Hatton, Sir Henry Spelman,

Selden, Charles Fairfax of Menston, and then, or soon after, Sir Simon Archer, Samuel Roper, Sir Thomas Shirley, Lord Brudenel, and John Rushworth, to whom he was related. From another branch of the family of Fairfax he received a noble encouragement in his studies; Sir Thomas Fairfax, the parliamentary general, settled on him an annuity, which Dugdale says was 40*l.*, to enable him the better to prosecute his researches.*

In 1635 and 1636 he was at work in Saint Mary's tower, and on the registers of the see of York. We find him also in the chancery of the duchy of Lancaster, and engaged in abstracting the evidences of many private families. When not employed in enlarging his stores he occupied himself in forming those genealogical schemes which are found in volumes II., III., and IV.

In 1637 and 1638 he was much employed on the records of the Exchequer. Then it was that he transcribed the Rotulus de Dominabus. In the latter of these years he began to attempt to bring into some order what he had gathered respecting the monasteries; he entitled the volume *Monasticon Anglicanum*, which was the title under which the work afterwards appeared.

From 1639 to 1642 he was pursuing the same course of study. His chief exertions were on the records of the see of Lincoln and on the great rolls of the pipe. In 1639 he was much in Cumberland and Northumberland, examining the evidences of the ancient gentry of those counties.

The civil wars must have interfered greatly with his pursuits. In the siege of York in 1644 the tower of Saint Mary was destroyed, when a large body of northern records perished; it was blown up by gunpowder on Sunday June 16th; the greater part of the records were removed; but it is evident that many must have perished when we find on the 1st of September following Dodsworth and Mr. Fairfax of Menston searching among the

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* Life of Sir William Dugdale, by himself. Dallaway's *History of Heraldry*, App. p. xiii.

rubbish for any charters that had escaped, and finding some, among which was the rhyming charter of King Athelstan to Saint John of Beverley; whether the original and contemporary document or not it is hard to affirm or deny. I suspect that there was in this event a greater destruction of evidence than even Dodsworth seems to have supposed.

In this year he made his large collections out of the testamentary documents at York; but in the month of September he had left that city, driven thence, as it would seem, by the political circumstances of the time, "*his procellosis temporibus, ubi nulla quies datur domi.*" (vol. VII.) He was received into the house of Francis Nevile, a gentleman of an ancient family, whose seat was at Chevet near Wakefield; there he began a monasticon on a more contracted scale; it was to be a monasticon for the northern counties only,—a *Monasticon Boreale*, as he entitled it. This forms vol. VII., VIII., and IX. of the collections.

We have no evidence to show how long he was the guest of Mr. Nevile, of whom he has recorded that he bountifully supplied him with every thing that he wanted. We know little precisely of his labours in 1645, and are perplexed by the uncertainty which attends dates in January, February, and part of March. He writes to Sir Simonds D'Ewes from Skipton Castle in February and March 1645, perhaps 1645-6. In 1646 he spent much time among the Clifford evidences both at Skipton and Lonsborough. In that year also he visited Appleby, and to this period of his life are to be referred those large and most valuable transcripts of the evidences of that ancient house, made, as it seems, with a special view to the information of a lady who esteemed no kind of knowledge foreign from her pursuits, the Countess of Pembroke, Dorset, and Montgomery.

Much of the year 1647 was spent by him in the country, but in 1648 we find him again in London labouring on the records of the Exchequer and the Augmentation

Office. At this period of his life he seems to have resided principally there, working at the Tower upon the Inquisitions and the Fine Rolls, in 1649 and 1650, and at the Prerogative Office of the Archbishop of Canterbury in 1651. After this we find very little to which any date is affixed, and nothing after 1652. From that time he must have been much occupied in preparing copy for the printers of the Monasticon, Dugdale and he having determined to risk the publication of that work. In one of the volumes are some things written as it seems by himself, with a weak and uncertain hand. Whether this is to be taken as indicating that his powers sunk under his too great application, before life became extinct, I know not. He lived till 1654, in the August of which year his life and labours ended, in the seventieth year of his age.

It is not to be understood that I have attempted to give in this sketch of his life and labours any thing like a syllabus of what is to be found in the ensuing catalogue. It is quite impossible to refer much of these collections to any particular year in the life of the collector; I have said little of any to which he has not prefixed some note of the time when he was engaged upon them; to the catalogue itself I must refer for the rest.

In 1649, when he was sixty-four, there was a scheme for publishing a Baronage of England, in which he was to have had a principal share. The other person to have been engaged with him was John Vincent, son of Augustine Vincent the herald. A letter of Vincent's relating to it is bound up in vol. LXXV., but though some years before he had written to D'Ewes that he had intended and almost finished a work on the Baronage *, the design came to nothing, and was left to be accomplished by Dugdale. The intention was to omit the higher orders of nobility as having been satisfactorily treated of by Vincent. When he says to D'Ewes that he had almost finished

* Harl. MS. 376. f. 54.

a work on the Baronage of England, he probably meant those valuable genealogical schemes in the early volumes of these collections, for he can hardly have alluded to his volume CLVIII.

These manuscript volumes are his legacy to posterity and the basis of his fame.

He was buried, as Wood informs us, in the vault of the Hesketh's, his wife's family, in the church of Rufford in Lancashire. He had four children, Robert, Eleanor, Mary, and Cassandra. The son was of Christ's College Cambridge. I find, in some private collections in the library of the College of Arms, that he was a clergyman, settled at Barton in Lincolnshire, and that he had a son named Robert, who had a son named Roger, born in 1681. All the daughters married, but I suspect that, like most of the daughters of Sir William Dugdale, they married obscurely.

Whether in consideration of the annuity before mentioned, or by what other consideration, these collections passed after the death of Dodsworth into the possession of Sir Thomas Fairfax, then become Lord Fairfax, who gave them by will to the university of Oxford. Lord Fairfax died in 1671, and in 1673, in the month of June, they were transferred thither. The public had nearly lost the benefit of them, for in the transmission they got wet, and it was with some difficulty that Anthony Wood obtained leave of the vice-chancellor to dry them on the leads adjoining the school tower. He says that it cost him a month's labour to do it, and that but for his care they had been utterly spoiled. They bear marks to this day of the injury to which they were exposed.

It is a point of some curiosity and importance to ascertain how far the collection at Oxford is to be regarded as the whole of what Dodsworth wished to be considered as being his Work; and one of the best guides for the determination of this question is the marks by which Dodsworth himself distinguished the volumes. The mode he adopted was a succession of alphabets: (1.) The letters

taken singly; (2.) The letters doubled; (3.) The letters trebled; (4.) The letters in circles; (5.) The letters in squares, and (6.) The letters in triangles.

In the first series, which are quartos, vol. P. is wanting.

The second series is complete to X X. It is also a series of quartos, and it may be supposed that the series there terminated.

The third series is complete.

The fourth series wants the volume S., but both the volumes now numbered 107. and 108. have the mark X., though they are of matter quite dissimilar.

The fifth series wants X. and Z.

The sixth series is complete to the letter T., when perhaps it ceased. Volumes VII., VIII., and IX., the Monasticon Boreale, are each marked with a W. within a triangle.

It remains to be added that there are two quartos, CLVII. and CLVIII., which are marked with O. and V. within squares; that vols. II. to VI., consisting of pedigrees, are not included in any of the six serieses; that vol. XI. has no mark, being a transcript of the volume marked D. in a circle, or XXXVII.; that the Arbor Ogleana, vol. XVIII., is also a supernumerary, as is also the Butler collections, vol. XXXIII.; that vol. XIX. and XX. are no part of Dodsworth's collections, and therefore not exhibiting his mark; that XXI. and XXIII. are not marked, as being merely indexes; and that LXXVI., CXIV., and CXV. are not marked, as consisting either of original charters or of office copies of records.

In the Harleian manuscript 1967, being a volume of the collections of the Holmes, article 31. is an explanation of the marks used by Dodsworth to distinguish his manuscripts, but it is too imperfect to be of much use.*

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* In the same department of the Harleian library, no. 1987 contains a copy of an engraved pedigree of the family of Talbot of Bashall, compiled by R. D. (Roger Dodsworth), but not engraved till 1656, after his death.

Though the collection may appear to be nearly complete, yet other volumes are known to exist.

(1.) Thoresby had a quarto volume, with the date 1631, containing his catalogue of saints and writers of the county of York, with collections relating to the monasteries of Burlington, Hackness, Whitby, and other religious foundations. It was given to him by Lord Fairfax. See *Ducatus Leodiensis*, p. 533.

(2.) A folio volume of antiquarian collections, now in the library of Queen's College Oxford, where it is numbered 26.

(3.) A folio volume in the possession of Mr. George Baker of Northampton, author of the history of that county now in the course of publication, containing many valuable copies of public records and other documents.

(4.) The volume now numbered CLXI., containing his church notes at York, was in the hands of Drake, and by him presented to the Bodleian Library in 1736, after he had used it in his history of the city of York.

And, lastly, I have been informed that there are two or three volumes of collections by Dodsworth in the library of the Earl of Cardigan.

Thoresby had copies of Vincent and Weever which had belonged to Dodsworth, and had many marginal notes in his hand.

Small portions of Dodsworth's writings are frequently found in collections of the same nature with his own.

The volumes when transmitted to Oxford seem to have been unbound. Soon after they were received there the whole were bound, when a new designation was given to each volume. This designation was a simple numeral, running in regular series from I. to CLX., except that there is no No. LXXVII.; and on the other hand the volume which I have called CXX. b., the C C. of the collection, was not numbered at all. By these numbers the volumes are now usually quoted, but this new arrangement has been made without attention to the real order in which the volumes originally

stood, or rather on an erroneous presumption of the order in which the author intended that they should be perused. Not perceiving that in the quartos the volumes were arranged according to the order of the letters of the alphabet taken singly, and then according to the letters in the same order taken two and two, the volume marked A A. is made to follow that marked A.,—B B. that marked B., and so on, so that continuity is frequently broken, and an appearance of irregularity and confusion given which did not exist as they were contemplated by the author. The folios being in four distinct serieses the case is worse, for the four serieses are intermixed on the same principle; all which bear an A., in whatever form, being placed together, and so of the remaining letters of the alphabet. The consequence of this is that the abstracts of the inquisitions at the Tower which are marked with D., E., and F., each in a square, and which are in fact three volumes of the same work, are numbered XL., XLIV., and XLVIII.

This was a great mistake, but there is an inconveniency in altering the marks of manuscripts by which they have been long publicly known. The evil is enhanced by many of the volumes being placed by twos, threes, and even fours in the same covers.

Should the volumes ever be taken to pieces and re-bound I would recommend the following arrangement:—

QUARTOS.

1. A. 116.
2. B. 118.
3. C. 120.
4. D. 121.
5. E. 123.
6. F. 125.
7. G. 127.
8. H. 129.
9. I. 131.
10. K. 133.
11. L. 135.
12. M. 160.
13. N. 137.
14. O. 140.
15. P. caret.
16. Q. 143.
17. R. 145.
18. S. 147.
19. T. 149.
20. V. 159.
21. W. 152.
22. X. 161.
23. Y. 155.
24. Z. 156.

25. A A. 117.
26. B B. 119.
27. C C. 120 b.
28. D D. 122.
29. E E. 124.
30. F F. 126.
31. G G. 128.
32. H H. 130.
33. I I. 132.
34. K K. 134.
35. L L. 136.
36. M M. 158.
37. N N. 139.
38. O O. 141.
39. P P. 142.
40. Q Q. 144.
41. R R. 146.
42. S S. 148.
43. T T. 150.
44. V V. 151.
45. W W. 153.
46. X X. 154.

47. . . . 157.
48. . . . 158.

FOLIOS.

1. A A A. 26.
2. B B B. 32.
3. C C C. 34.
4. D D D. 39.
5. E E E. 43.
6. F F F. 46.
7. G G G. 50.
8. H H H. 53.
9. I I I. 58.
10. K K K. 62.
11. L L L. 66.
12. M M M. 69.
13. N N N. 73.
14. O O O. 87.
15. P P P. 82.
16. Q Q Q. 86.
17. R R R. 91.
18. S S S. 94.
19. T T T. 98.
20. V V V. 101.
21. W W W. 104.
22. X X X. 106.
23. Y Y Y. 110.
24. Z Z Z. 113.

The letters in circles.

25. A. 27.
26. B. 28.
27. C. 31.
28. D. 37.
29. E. 41.
30. F. 45.
31. G. 49.
32. H. 54.
33. I. 57.
34. K. 61.
35. L. 65.
36. M. 68.
37. N. 72.
38. O. 78.
39. P. 81.
40. Q. 85.
41. R. 90.

42. S. caret.
43. T. 97.
44. V. 100.
45. W. 103.
46. X. 107.
47. X. 108.
48. Y. 109.
49. Z. 112.

The letters in squares.

50. A. 24.
51. B. 30.
52. C. 36.
53. D. 40.
54. E. 44.
55. F. 48.
56. G. 52.
57. H. 56.
58. I. 60.
59. K. 64.
60. L. 1.
61. M. 71.
62. N. 75.
63. O. 80.
64. P. 84.
65. Q. 89.
66. R. 93.
67. S. 96.
68. T. 22.
69. V. 102.
70. W. 105.
71. X. caret.
72. Y. 111.
73. Z. caret.

The letters in triangles.

74. A. 24.
75. B. 29.
76. C. 35.
77. D. 38.
78. E. 42.
79. F. 47.
80. G. 51.
81. H. 55.
82. I. 59.
83. K. 63.
84. L. 67.
85. M. 70.
86. N. 74.
87. O. 79.
88. P. 83.
89. Q. 88.
90. R. 92.
91. S. 95.
92. T. 99.
93. V. caret.
94. W. 7.
95. W. 8.
96. W. 9.

97. . . 2.
98. . . 3.
99. . . 4.
100. . . 5.
101. . . 6.
102. . . 11.
103. . . 12.
104. . . 13.
105. . . 14.
106. . . 15.
107. . . 16.
108. . . 17.
109. . . 18.
110. . . 33.
111. . . 76.
112. . . 114.

113. . . 115·	*The Indexes.*
114. . . 19.	116. . . 21.
115. . . 20.	117. . . 23.

Much use has been made of these collections In September 1666 Dugdale borrowed eighteen of the volumes of Lord Fairfax.* Thoroton used them in the preparation of his history of Nottinghamshire. Dr. Johnston transcribed much from them for his intended history of Yorkshire. Since his time many persons have had recourse to them for the purposes of their various works, partly for the information which is to be found here and here only, and partly for the transcripts of records still existing, it being so much easier to read in a library like the Bodleian than in the places in which the originals are deposited. A digest of the matter which they contain relating to many places in the county of York, in twelve thin folio volumes, is in the Harleian Library at the British Museum, No. 793 to 804. A thirteenth volume, numbered 805, contains notes out of them for the history of various families, in alphabetical order from Acclom to Goodricke. This was the work of two persons named Jenyngs and Tilleyson, who executed the task for Bishop Stillingflete. A catalogue of them is in the *Catalogus MSS. Angliæ et Hiberniæ*, 1697, but though made by a person of high reputation it is singularly open to objection. The very first volume is described as containing "Trials in the county of York," when it is in reality a volume of final concords.

There are good indexes to almost all the volumes.

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* See his diary under that date in *The Life of Sir William Dugdale*, by the late William Hamper, Esq. In that publication are several letters of Dodsworth.

—I.—

A volume of 518 leaves, containing FINAL CONCORDS of lands in the COUNTY OF YORK, from the 4th to the 51st year of King Edward III.

The name of the place at which the fine was levied and the names of the justices are omitted; of the date we have only the year of the reign; in other respects the contents of the fine are fully given, and generally in the words of the record itself. They are bound up without much regard to the order of time. Vol. CVI. contains similar abstracts for the reign of Henry VI.

—II.—

"LIBER GENEALOGIARUM ex archivis, cartis privatis, aliisque autenticis, collectarum, summâ fide et diligentiâ, per ROGERUM DODSWORTH. In quo præcipuè series antiquorum Angliæ baronum tractantur."

The above title is prefixed by Dodsworth himself, except that the clause "summâ fide et diligentiâ" seems to have been interlined by some one who was strongly impressed by the appearance of care and industry in the compiler which this volume presents. The book was prepared in 1635.

The genealogical schemes in this volume are rudely drawn, as was Dodsworth's manner in all the schemes constructed by himself, but the courses of the lines may be easily traced. They abound also, as do the other genealogies compiled by himself, with references by the ancient marks, to the volume of his manuscripts, containing the evidence of each statement; and not unfrequently there are abstracts of inquisitions and charters, copies of monumental inscriptions, and sometimes important deeds transcribed at large.

The plan upon which he proceeds is in general this: to take some one stirps and to unite with it the descent of

heiresses who had been engrafted into it, and the issue of heiresses in whom any main branch had terminated.

The following are the stirpes contained in this volume:

1. Percy, to the reign of Henry IV., with the coheirs of William de Briwere; f. 2.

2. Fauconberg, to the reign of Henry IV., with the lines of Brus and Patishull; f. 3.

3. Darcy, with the descent of Meinell and Melton; f. 5.

4. Stutevile, to the reign of Henry III.; f. 8.

5. Wake, with the descent of the coheir of Quenci, and the descent from Wake of King Richard II., and the Hollands; f. 11.

6. Kyme, with the posterity of the coheirs married to Umfravile and Tailboys; f. 14.

7. Holland, with fragment of Ewias and Lovell; f. 15.

8. The Barons of Alfreton, with the descent from them of Latham and Stanley; f. 18.

9. Stapleton, to the reign of Henry VII.; with the descent of numerous families allied to them; viz. Albeney, the Earls of Chester, Lisle, Tateshill, the Lords of Middleham, Sutton, Usflete, Furnival, Latimer, Bekering, Foljambe, Lowdham, Breton, Someri, and others; f. 20.

10. Lovetot, Furnival, Nevile, and Talbot, to the time of the second Talbot Earl of Shrewsbury; f. 31.

11. Ughtred and Burdon; f. 32.

12. De la Hay of Spaldington; f. 35.

13. Mowbray; f. 37.

14. Roos, with Espec, Trussebut, Stutevile, Cantilupe, and other alliances; f. 39.

15. The Barons of Manchester, Grelle, De la War, West; f. 45.

16. The Barons of Pontefract, Laci, with Fitz William and Bisset; f. 52.

17. Balliol and Bruce; claim to the crown of Scotland; f. 55.

18. The Barons of Warkworth and Clavering; f. 59.

19. Cromwell, with Clifton and Swillington, Marmion, Tateshale, Driby, and Bernak; f. 62.

20. Grey of Rotherfield, with the Lovels; f. 65.

21. Audley, with subsidiary descents of Cundy, Fitz Warine, Beaumont, Touchet; f. 68.

22. Zouch, with Brewes, Cantilupe, Hastings; f. 70.

23. Saint Amand; f. 74.

24. Albeney Baron of Kaynho; f. 75.

25. Strange of Knockin, with Latham, Stanley, &c.; f. 76.

26. Mohun of Dunster; f. 79.

27. Warren of Wirmgay, with Bardolf and Beaumont; f. 82.

28. Hastings, to the time of the marriage of Ferdinando Lord Hastings; f. 85.

29. Lovaine and Bourchier; f. 87.

30. Verdon; f. 88.

31. Oyeri, Goushill, Le Despenser, with Nevile and Wentworth; f. 90.

32. Boteler of Ireland, Earls of Ormond; f. 93.

33. Creon; f. 94 b.

34. The Barons of Dover; f. 95.

35. The Barons of Sudeley; f. 96.

36. The Barons of Daventry; f. 97.

There are besides a few small fragments of other genealogies; and between f. 66. and f. 67. are four leaves, containing a schedule of chartularies, thus entitled by Dodsworth himself: "Nomina separalium cartulariarum hoc opere citatarum;" but it may be doubted whether this refers to the volume in which these leaves now are found, or to some portion of his collections for the history of monasteries. It is valuable, as showing what chartularies of monasteries were then in existence.

—III.—

"Genealogiæ ex recordis, cartulariis abbathiarum, registris archiepiscoporum et episcoporum, cartis privatis, aliisque autenticis, extractæ et compositæ studio et industriâ Rogeri Dodsworth, Eboracensis, 1636."

The volume thus entitled by Dodsworth himself is of

the same kind with the one preceding, but the families whose descents it contains are for the most part of the northern counties, and many of them were not of the rank of barons of parliament.

The families contained in this volume are the following:

1. Faucunberg and Foliot; f. 2.
2. Stayngrave and Flamvile; f. 4.
3. Engelram; f. 5.
4. Luci, Morvile, Multon, &c.; f. 6.
5. Musard and Freschvile, with Nutthill, Brewes, Hiliard, and Trehampton; f. 10.
6. Darcy, with Bertram, Heron, Notton, Wimbysh; f. 13.
7. Thweng, with Darel and Lumley; f. 16.
8. Pedwardine, with Longchamp, Vaux, Creon, &c.; f. 18.
9. Deincourt; f. 22.
10. The descendants of Picot de Percy; f. 25.
11. Bustard, Clifton, and Deyvile, with Ledes and Nevile; f. 26.
12. Ward; f. 27.
13. Harrington, with Cancefield, Fleming, and others; f. 29.
14. Widderington; f. 32.
15. Bellew, and the issue of the coheirs; f. 34.
16. Middleton of Stockeld and Maleverer; f. 36.
17. Vesci and Aton; f. 38.
18. Graistock, with Montfichet, &c.; f. 40.
19. Dacre, with Multon, &c.; f. 43.
20. Dover; f. 45.
21. Lardiner of Skelton; f. 46.
22. De Sancta Maria, Walleis, Fitz-Alan; f. 48.
23. Fitz Walter; f. 51.
24. Tibetot; f. 54.
25. Cherleton of Powis; f. 56.
26. The Lords of Belvoir; f. 57.
27. Walrand, Marmion, Willoughby, &c.; f. 59.
28. Marmion, with Frevile, Dymoke, &c.; f. 63.
29. Harrington of Exton, with Moton, Pole, Goodhall, and Vincent; f. 64.

30. Camvile and Longspee; f. 66.
31. Berkeley; f. 67.
32. Horbury, and Fleming of Wath; f. 69.
33. Everingham; f. 70.
34. Rockley; f. 71.
35. Wortley; f. 72.
36. The Barons of Ravensworth, with the Lanes and Treshams, descended of the Lord Parr of Horton, by a later hand in 1647; f. 74.
37. Fitz William, with Drax, Clarel, Calverley; f. 78.
38. Calverley; f. 81.
39. Goldsborough; f. 83.
40. Lelay; f. 84.
41. Montalt; f. 84 b.
42. Arthington; f. 85.
43. Plumpton; f. 87.
44. Bertram and Ogle, with a line of Fenwick; f. 90.
45. The Barons of Morpeth, with Somervile and Griffith; f. 92.
46. Wadsley and Sutton; f. 94.
47. Sutton of Dudley; f. 96.
48. Rilleston; f. 98.
49. Hertlington; f. 99.
50. De Alta Ripa; f. 100.
51. Dodsworth, with Sandwith, Segrave, and notices of other families, to whom Dodsworth was himself related by his mother; f. 101.
52. Bugthorpe and Rughford; f. 103.
53. Vipont; f. 106.
54. Hodleston; f. 108.
55. The Barons of Stockport; f. 109.
56. Roos with Strangways; f. 111.
57. Bertram; f. 113.
58. Fitz Alan of Clun; f. 114.
59. Despenser; f. 116.
60. Clifford, with Vipont, Builli, Say, Bromflete, Rocliffe, Burgh, &c.; f. 119.
61. Malebisse, Blabi, Beckwith; f. 123.

62. Grey of Codnor, with Colvile and Basset; f. 125.
63. Saint Walery; f. 128.
64. Strange of Knockin; f. 129.
65. Berkeley; f. 130.
66. Mandevile; f. 132.
67. Beauchamp Baron of Bedford; f. 135.
68. Ewias and Tresgorz; f. 136.
69. Lymesy Baron of Wolverley, co. Worc.; f. 137.
70. Pinkeni; f. 138.
71. Peverel of Dover, Peche, &c.; f. 140.
72. Brerehagh of Menston; f. 145.
73. Burgh Earl of Ulster; f. 146.
74. Banastre Baron of Newton; f. 148.
75. Arsic; f. 149.
76. The Earls of Eu; f. 150.
77. Umfravill Earl of Angus; f. 152. Among the evidences which accompany this descent is a charter of the Conqueror "dilecto nostro consanguineo Roberto de Umfranvill." It is dated on 10th July in the tenth of his reign, and has for witnesses Matildis his consort, and William and Henry his sons.
78. Tailboys; f. 156.
79. Welles, with the coheirs; f. 158.
80. Cormeilles; f. 162.
81. Chandos; f. 163.
82. Paynel, Luterel, and families connected with them; f. 164.
83. Bohun; f. 167.
84. L'Isle of Wodborne; f. 168.
85. Lilleburn; f. 170.
86. Dyne; f. 179 and f. 184.
87. Murdac and Harang; f. 180.
88. Lascelles; f. 183.
89. Fitz Warine; f. 188.
90. Hansard; f. 189.

At the beginning of the volume, and before the paging, is a genealogy of the kings of the West Saxons according to Stowe.

—IV.—

" PEDEGRADUS, tom. III^us."

This is Dodsworth's own title to the volume, which consists entirely of pedigrees for the most part compiled by himself, but with fewer references to authorities than are found in the two preceding volumes. On the leaves before the paging commences are several genealogical memoranda, relating to Chauncy, Criol, Willoughby, Paynel, Darcy, Bellew, Burgh, Dunham, Rosceline, of little value, being incorporated for the most part, perhaps entirely, in the better laboured pedigrees which follow:—

1. Mortimer, Cheney, &c.; f. 1.
2. Ap Adam with Gournay and Harpetre; f. 2.
3. Monboucher; f. 2 b.
4. Sumeri; f. 3.
5. Leiburn, Cheney, Ufford; f. 3 b.
6. Wake; f. 4.
7. Balliol; f. 10.
8. Fauconberg; f. 11.
9. Nevile; f. 12.
10. Basset; f. 13.
11. Paynel, Luterel, Gant, De Lisle; f. 15.
12. Descendants of Edwinus de Halton, co. Ebor.; f. 16.
13. Lisle of Brodsworth; f. 17.
14. Newmarch, Chevercourt, Furneaux; f. 18.
15. Hawley and Rolleston; f. 19.
16. Percyhay of Riton; f. 20.
17. Anesty; f. 21.
18. Toeny; f. 22.
19. Stutevile; f. 23.
20. Kyme; f. 25.
21. Cantilupe; f. 26.
22. Brion; f. 27.
23. Columbers, Camvile, and Stowell; f. 28.
24. Valletort; f. 29.
25. Dunstanvile and Briwere; f. 30.
26. Burgh Earl of Ulster; f. 32.
27. Mucegros, Mortimer, Bussey; f. 33.
28. Valoines, Ufford, Criketot; f. 34.
29. Glanville, and the coheirs; f. 36.
30. Scales; f. 38.
31. Huntingfeld; f. 39.
32. Bardolf; f. 40.
33. Mortimer; f. 41.
34. Pedwardine, with Creon, Longchamp, Lumley, &c.; f. 43.

35. Stapleton; f. 45.
36. Walerand, Frevile, Dymoke, &c.; f. 46.
37. Marmion; f. 47.
38. Camvile; f. 48.
39. Tilli; f. 48 b.
40. Leiburn; f. 49.
41. Hungerford, with Botreaux, Molins, &c.; f. 50.
42. Fitz-Payne; f. 50 b.
43. Erdinton; f. 51.
44. Brewosa; f. 52.
45. Everingham and Cauz; f. 57.
46. Wanervile; f. 58.
47. The posterity of Swein fitz Ailric shown at large; f. 61.
48. Aske; f. 64.
49. Fitz-Alan of Bedal; f. 65.
50. De Urtiaco; f. 66.
51. Gant; f. 67.
52. The Barons of Daventry; f. 68.
53. De Albrincis, Crevequer, Crioll, &c.; f. 69.
54. Paynel and Cahaines; f. 71.
55. Lovel and Saint Maur; f. 72.
56. Lovel of Tichmarsh and Minster-Lovel; f. 73.
57. Holland; f. 75.
58. Morley, with Rie, Marshall, &c.; f. 76.
59. Brion; f. 77.
60. Camoys; f. 79.
61. De Bosco; f. 80.
62. Brion; f. 81.
63. Dynham; f. 83.
64. Loveyn; f. 84.
65. Beauchamp; f. 85.
66. Wyggeton; f. 86.
67. Torinton; f. 87.
68. Stutevile; f. 87 a.
69. Croc; f. 88.
70. Giffard; f. 89.
71. Nevile; f. 90.
72. Basset; f. 91.
73. Hilton; f. 92.
74. Saint John; f. 92 a. and f. 94 a.
75. Aldham; f. 93.
76. Bassingburn and Lisures; f. 93 b.
77. Essex de Ralegh; f. 94.
78. Fauconberg; f. 95.
79. Grimbald; f. 96.
80. Thorpell; f. 97.
81. Cahaignes; f. 98.
82. Clifford; f. 99.
83. Valoines; f. 101.
84. Courtenay; f. 103.

A memorandum that Mr. Dugdale says, that the Lord Hatton hath the coucher of Kirkstead, where is the foundation charter per Will. fil. Eudonis.

—V.—

To this volume there is no title; but its contents are PEDIGREES of various ancient families, like those in vol. IV.

1. " Bigot of Setterington, as it is found in Vincent's Corrections of Brook;" f. 1.
2. The Earls of Albemarle; f. 1 b.
3. The Earls of Eu; f. 2.
4. Clare, with Giffard and others; f. 3.
5. Ferrars; f. 3 b.
6. Tiptoft and Nevile; f. 4.
7. Hastings Earl of Pembroke, and Hastings of Fenwick; f. 4 b.
8. De la Pole; f. 5.
9. Talbot Earl of Shrewsbury; f. 5 b.
10. The posterity of Malcolm King of Scotland, to the time of King Edward I.; f. 6.
11. Holland and Beaufort; f. 6 b.
12. The Dukes of Bretagne; f. 7.
13. Courtenay; f. 7 b.
14. The Earls of Angus; f. 8.
15. Strabolgye Earl of Athol; f. 8 b.
16. Savile; f. 9.
17. Methley; f. 9 b.
18. Tempest; f. 9 b.
19. Notes from Gascoign's Pedigree of Wentworth; f. 10.
20. Wake and Pigot; f. 11 b.
21. Beauchamp of Bedford; f. 12.
22. Heton and others; f. 13.
23. Mowbray with Musters; f. 14.
24. Brus; f. 14 b.
25. Boynton and Gascoign; f. 16.
26. Newmarch; f. 16 b.
27. Methley of Newstead; f. 17.
28. Hebden; f. 17 b.
29. Lascelles; f. 19.
30. Rither and Bapthorpe; f. 20.
31. Lisle and Curci; f. 20 b.
32. Redman; f. 21.
33. Vesci and Atton; with continuation in Threlkeld and Pickering; f. 23.
34. Berkeley; f. 24.
35. Biron; f. 24 b.
36. Rough notes of Cauz, Everingham, and Beaumont; f. 25.
37. Singleton of Brokhole; f. 26.

Then follow various pedigrees, chiefly of northern families, from the collections of Archer, too many to be particularly pointed out; and it is of the less importance to do so, as they are for the most part well known descents, and are not, like most of the pedigrees already mentioned, supported by references to record or other authority; f. 27—f. 94.

Genealogies in narrative of the following families; viz. Ingleby, Wandsford, Rowcliffe, Darrel, Bulmer, Hilton, Mowbray, Gascoign, Hiliard, Barnby, Chaumont, Nevile, Courtney, Dawney, Ingleby, Percy; with shields of the arms and quarterings of Chaworth, Paston, Dacre, and Bunny; f. 96.—f. 111.

Then follow various other descents, which appear to have been compiled by Dodsworth himself; viz.

38. Nevile of Pickharle; f. 112.
39. Stapleton; f. 113.
40. Scrope; f. 114.
41. Bolingbroke; f. 115 b.
42. Lacy; f. 116.
43. Dodsworth; f. 117.
44. Wombwell; f. 117.
45. Thoresby; f. 120.
46. Saint Quintin and Vaux; f. 120 b.
47. Hilton; f. 121.
48. "Linea consanguinitatis de stirpe fundatorum Abbathiæ de Sibbeton;" f. 122.
49. Kirkby of Kirkby, co. Lanc.; f. 124.
50. Wilberfoss; f. 125.
51. Dodsworth of Gawber Hall; f. 125 b.
52. Kaye of Dalton; f. 126.
53. Ledes and Pigot; f. 126.
54. Bruse; f. 126 b.
55. Metham; f. 127.
56. Kighley; f. 127 b.
57. Saint Quintin; f. 128.
58. Bigot; f. 128 b.
59. Aske; f. 129.
60. Colevile; f. 129 b.
61. Ross and Fitz William; f. 130.
62. Cave; f. 130 b.
63. Lumley; f. 131.
64. Vere; f. 133.
65. Scrope; f. 135.
66. Osbaldeston; f. 136.
67. Halsall; f. 136 b.
68. Pilkington; f. 137.
69. Plessington; f. 137 b.
70. Ashton and Talbot; f. 138 b.
71. Bulmer; f. 139.
72. Pennington of Mulcaster; f. 140 b.

73. Descent of Sir Tho. Walmesley and of Anne his wife, daughter and heir of Robert Shuttleworth; f. 142.
74. Malham of Elslack; f. 143.
75. Acclam; f. 144 b.
76. Drax; f. 145.
77. Rockley; f. 145 b.

At f. 140 of this volume is a list of the lords temporal who sat in parliament in 1 Charles I.

—VI.—

Another volume of GENEALOGIES, of less value than the preceding; many of them being little more than rough notes. The genealogies of most value are of the following families; viz.

Aghton — Bethom — Croft — Middleton — Butler — Urswick — Dodsworth — Clifton of Lancashire — Mitton — Lancaster — Leyburn — Harrington — Sotehill — Gower — Bolton — Lovel — Waterton — Huntingfield — Camvile — Martin — Valletort — Bohun — Engaine — Erdington — Fitzwarin — Nevil — Foliot — Bellew — Heriz — Pierrepoint — Trailli — Canci — the lords of Oswaldkirk and Ampleford in Yorkshire — Arches — De Alta Ripa — Reinevil and their coheirs — Parker of Browsholm — Pudsey — Lister of Midhop — Tempest.

Though these genealogies are less ample and less abundant in references to authorities than most of those in the volumes before described, yet they are evidently for the most part of Dodsworth's own compilation out of his collection of evidences, and not mere transcripts of descents unsupported by evidence.

At the beginning is a table, entitled by Dodsworth "Descents composed and entered in sundry books." This table contains the names of 286 families, with references to various volumes of his collections, in which accounts of them are to be found.

—VII.—

The contents of this volume are well described in a title prefixed by Dodsworth himself, viz. "Monasticon Boreale; sive instrumenta celebriora, nempe, diplomata regum, bullæ papales, cartæ satraparum et primorum virorum, aliorumque donatorum, sigillis suis appendentibus; ex quibus legis, historiæ, antiquitatis, et genealogiæ studiosi habeant unde se oblectent; ex autographis in turri Beatæ Mariæ juxta Eboracum nuper custoditis.—Tomus primus: In quo cartæ terrarum in North-riding et Estriding præcipuè transcriptæ sunt, et fideliter examinatæ, per Rogerum Dodsworth Eboracencem, rei antiquæ studiosum, (his procellosis temporibus, ubi nulla quies datur domi,) in ædibus Francisci Nevill de Chevet armigeri insignis, ubi omnia summâ cum humanitate et alacritate auctori ab hospite suo benignissimo suppeditabantur. Inchoatum 1 Octobris 1644."

Dodsworth then proceeds to speak of the place of deposit of the instruments of which he has here preserved transcripts, which was a tower of the abbey of Saint Mary without the walls of the city of York, built by one of the abbots at a north angle of the wall for the purpose of being a record room for the abbey. When the monasteries were dissolved, the abbey of Saint Mary being appropriated to public purposes, and especially to the use of the Lord President of the North, this tower was used as a general depositary of the evidences of the religious houses in the north, which were laid up in it in divers chests. Its contents would have been utterly destroyed on Sunday June 16, 1644, when the tower was blown up during the siege of York, had not one Thomas Thomson, who is called by Dodsworth "homo integerrimus," with extreme hazard of his life carried away

the greater part of them to the archives of the archbishop of York.

A table of contents disposed alphabetically is prefixed.

1. "Charters belonging to St. Maries of York," f. 1—31. Most of these are of very early date, and by eminent persons. Intermixed with them are some which belong to an old foundation called the hospital of Saint Peter. There are also amongst them charters which pertain to the abbey of Bella Landa or Biland.

2. Charters belonging to the priory of Gisburn, f. 40—84. Among these are several which relate to the lands before the time when they were given to the priory, and interspersed are some which appear to have no immediate connection with this house; as, a grant of Richard Malebisse to the hospital of St. Peter of York, f. 77; a grant of Will. de Staingreave to the church of Drax, f. 79 b. The printed catalogue states that there is the foundation charter by Robert de Brus, but in fact that heading only is given to one of the pages, and the space which should have contained the charter is blank.

3. A large collection of charters relating to the three neighbouring monasteries of Biland, Rievaulx, and Newborough, with their dependent foundations, f. 92—154.

4. Charters of the houses of Keldholme, Yedingham, St. Mary of York, Biland, Fountains, Rievaulx, and Marton, f. 155—181.

5. Charters of the houses of Yedingham alias Little Marsh, Rievaulx, Kirkham, Whitby, Hautemprize, Bridlington, Meaux, Bristall in Holderness, Killing, hospital of St. Peter of York, Swyne, f. 182—289.

6. Charters of the houses of Wicham alias Wikham, Kirkham, Swine, Watton, Haltemprise, Bridlington, hospital of St. Peter of York, Rievaulx, f. 290—332.

7. Charters of the houses of Ellerton, Watton, Kirkham, and Wilberfoss, f. 333 ad finem.

The charters in this most valuable volume are for the most part transcribed at length, and trickings of the seals

are generally given. The whole number of charters is about 800. To specify all individually in such a catalogue as this would be impracticable, especially as this is only one of many volumes made up of similar materials. Some of the most important of the charters of the northern monasteries, both in this and other volumes, are printed in the Monasticon.

It may be observed generally, respecting Dodsworth's collection of monastic charters, that there are intermixed with those which properly belong to the house others which seem to have come into possession of the monastery with lands to which they relate, and some also, which can be regarded in no other light than as having been placed in the monastery for safe custody; thus at f. 160. is a charter of Robert de Roos granting to his burgesses of Helmsley various privileges, and all liberties and customs such as the citizens of York enjoy. It is without date; but the first witness is Walter prior of Kirkham. Two distinct histories of the ancient family of Anlaghby are transcribed in the sixth portion of the volume. There are numerous charters of Stutevile and Wake, Mauley, and Salvin, which are rather to be regarded as bearing upon the history of those families and their possessions than as in connection with any religious house.

One of the most important charters in this volume is that to which Dodsworth has prefixed the following title: "Carta Stephani Comitis Albemarl', de fundatione abbathiæ Sancti Martini de Alceio juxta castrum Albemarile in Normaniâ; cui dedit inter alia ecclesias de Holdernes in com' Ebor', necnon ecclesias maneriorum quorundam in com' Lincoln'."

—VIII.—

"Monasticon Boreale, tomus secundus; cartas de West Riding præcipuè continens."

This volume resembles the one just described, and contains about the same number of charters. The religious

houses of which there are charters in this volume are the following:—

1. Salley; f. 1—4.

2. Bolton in Craven, Merton, Kirkstal, and Roche; f. 9—32.

3. Kirkstal, Siningthwaite, Newborough, Bolton, the hospital of Saint Peter of York, Biland, Rievaulx; f. 40—92.

4. Hospital of Saint John the Baptist of Jerusalem; Drax, Siningthwaite, Helaugh, Appleton, St. Trinity of York, St. Clement of York, the hospital of St. Leonard of York, St. Mary of York, hospital of St. Peter of York, Nostel, Rievaulx, Bridlington; f. 93—120.

5. Nun Monckton, Alverton in Claro, Siningthwaite, hospital of St. Peter of York, Appleton, St. Clement of York, Kirkstal, Esholt, Rievaulx, Helaugh, St. Mary of Hanepol, hospital of St. Leonard of York, Drax, the Templars, Selby; f. 136—174.

6. Newland, Nostel, the Templars, hospital of St. Peter of York, St. John of Pontefract; f. 177—203.

7. Drax, Bretton, Roche, Bridlington, Bolton, hospital of St. Peter of York, St. John of Jerusalem, the Templars, St. Trinity of York, Helagh, Kirkstal; f. 210—262. Amongst these the charters of Bretton greatly predominate; and there are among them several which are of private families who resided in the neighbourhood of the priory, especially the Mounteneys, Bosviles, and Neviles, which seem to have been deposited at the monastery for safe custody.

8. Two charters of Paynel to the church of St. Peter of York; f. 263.

9. Charter of Walter Clarel to the hospital of St. Peter of York; f. 266.

10. A collection of charters of the house of De Rupe or Roche, with a few belonging to Blythe, Bretton, Newport-Paynel, Gisburn, St. Trinity of York, Drax, the Templars, Appleton, St. John of Jerusalem, Arthington, and Kirkstal; f. 269 ad finem.

As in the former volume, there are many charters not immediately connected with any religious foundation. One of the most important of the miscellaneous instruments is that entitled "Une acorde entre erceuesques et euesques d'un p'te et le conte de Lancastr' d'altr' p'te de dẽo com' veniendo ad parliamentum;" f. 262.

—IX.—

"MONASTICON BOREALE: continens diplomata regum; necnon scripturas originales et instrumenta primaria comitum, baronum, aliorumque illarum partium magnatum, super fundationibus monasteriorum, abbatiarum, prioratuum, collegiorum, hospitalium, cantuariarum, gildarum, fraternitatum, &c. ultra Trentam. Quibus etiam adduntur munimenta quam plurima de privilegiis, prædiis, possessionibus, et terris per compatriotos illis datis et confirmatis. Omnia ex archivis et MSS. codicibus veterrimis summâ fide representata, operâ et industriâ ROGERI DODSWORTH."

This volume consists almost entirely of foundation charters, or of charters of privileges, most of which are printed in the Monasticon.

1. Charters belonging to the church of St. Peter of York; f. 1—54. Amongst these are several by Saxon and Danish kings, as by Egfrid King of Northumberland, Edgar, Athelstan, and Cnute. Interspersed are documents relating to the rights of the canons and to the customs of the province, and two fragments of histories. One of these begins thus: "*Anno ab incarnatione Domini* M.XL.VIII. *Guillielmus Rex legatos honorabiles in Neustriam direxit*, &c.," and ends, "*alii fugâ mortem distulerunt*;" f. 12—14 b. The other, "Ex manuscripto quodam historiam Dunelmensis ecclesiæ continente ab anno DC.XXXV. regnante apud Northumbriam Oswaldo usque ad annum Domini M.C.XCIX," beginning "*Hiis temporibus*

coadunati," &c., and ending "*mulieribus introire liceat.* Lib. A. fol. 149;" f. 15—18. See vol. CXVI.

2. Charters of St. Mary's of York; f. 55—89.

3. Charters, chiefly foundation, of various religious or eleemosynary foundations at and near York; f. 95—108.

4. Charters of Watton and Malton; f. 112—118.

5. Foundation deed of the Charter House at Hull; f. 120.

6. Whitby, Handal, Gisburn, Mountgrace, Bridlington, Kirkham, Rievaulx, Roche, Blythe, Fountains, Salley, Bolton, Stanlaw, Whalley, St. John of Pontefract, Bretton, Kirkstal, chapel of St. Clement in the castle of Pontefract, Nostel, Selby, Drax, Ribstan, Hampole, Helagh, Yarum, Siningthwaite, Nun Keling, and Nun Appleton; f. 112 ad finem.

—X.—

"MONASTICON ANGLICANUM per ROGERUM DODSWORTH, inchoatum 1638."

This is Dodsworth's own title. The volume contains a large collection of foundation charters, or charters confirming foundations, of monasteries in all parts of the kingdom.

Nearly the whole, if not the whole, of the contents of this volume is published in the printed Monasticon, and on that account a particular enumeration of the contents is here omitted; and whoever wishes to see the order in which the several charters lie in the volume may find it in the catalogue of this collection already printed.

At the beginning of the volume Dodsworth has written various slight memoranda connected with the subject; the most valuable of which are, a catalogue of houses of which foundation charters were in the possession of Sir Henry Spelman, and a catalogue of foundation charters in the Cottonian Library.

—XI.—

"NOMINA eorum qui DE REGE TENENT per servicium militare, magnam serjeantiam, socagio,

parvam serjeantiam, et burgagium hic sequuntur, ut habetur in bundellis escaetrium in Turri London."

The compiler of this very useful volume of record matter has extracted from the Inquisitions post mortem at the Tower, from the 1st Henry IV. to the 15th Edward IV., the names of persons who are found to have died holding lands of the crown, and the description which is given of the tenure. The years are in continuous series, and it purports to contain every tenancy of this description.

A single entry will show the manner in which the compiler has proceeded, and consequently the kind and amount of information which is to be expected from this volume.

> " Salop. 9 Hen. V. Johannes Arundell ch^r obiit seisitus in dominio suo ut de feodo talliato, sibi et keredibus masculis de corpore suo procreatis, de duabus partibus castrorum, villarum, et maneriorum de Clone et Oswaldstre cum pertinentiis; et maneriorum de Heithe, Stretton, Lideley, Acton-Round, Wroxcestre; et duabus partibus manerii de Hintes in com' predicto. Et tenentur de Rege in capite per servicium militare. Quodque Johannes filius ejusdem Johannis Arundell est ejus heres." See vol. XXXVII.

—XII.——XVII.—

These volumes contain Dodsworth's extracts from the GREAT ROLLS OF THE PIPE at the Exchequer, made by him in the years 1640, 1641, and 1642. He has prefixed the following title: "Collectiones ex Magnis Rotulis Pipæ in Scaccario Domini Regis remanentibus per ROGERUM DODSWORTH, Eboracensem."

Dodsworth does not, we see, profess to transcribe the whole contents of any of these rolls; but his collections

out of them are very extensive, and he omits nothing, it may be presumed, which appeared to him of importance, looking upon these rolls as containing matter which bore upon general history, genealogy, or topography. It is not easy to discover any fixed principle of selection, but he appears to have attended chiefly to the Nova Oblata.* He perused the rolls more with a view to collect from them particular facts, than to gather any of the higher information to be deduced from these invaluable records.

He begins with the roll which he regarded as that of the fifth of Stephen, and places at the beginning of his extracts from it the note respecting its date, which Prynne says was written by Sir Simonds D'Ewes. He then states that the roll of 1 Henry II. is wanting. He refers, however, to his volume N.N.N. (that is, vol. LXXIII. of the present numbering,) f. 129, for extracts from that roll; but on turning to the volume referred to, the extracts are found to be from the roll called that of Quinto Regis Stephani, which was long regarded in the office as the roll

* Amongst Sir Simonds D'Ewes' papers in the British Museum (Harl. MS. 374.) is an original letter of Dodsworth respecting these volumes; it is dated from Skipton Castle, 12th Feb. 1645. He complains that D'Ewes had written to him that "he knew positively he had omitted out of the Pipe as much necessary matter as he had taken, when I can justly and truly brag it is the most narrow and punctual collection that ever I made in my life; and further, I will take my oath that (to my knowledge) I have not omitted a material word; but your censure arises out of your misunderstand[ing] the scope and meaning of the roll, which whoever wanteth may take notes (being one and the same) out of the body of the roll de anno in annum, and still sing eandem cantilenam. The clerks of that office will tell that the whole matter is to be taken from under the title of Nova Oblata. Sir, if your letters miscarry and fall into the hands of knowing persons my credit will suffer much." "You must pardon my free language, for I am a little touched, that would bastardize the issue of my judgment, which I must vindicate against all opposers." Art. 157.

of the 1st Henry II. He then gives extracts from the rolls for the whole subsequent reign of Henry II., taking the years seriatim, but remarking that the roll for 35 Henry II. is wanting. This forms the contents of vol. XII.

Vol. XIII. contains the years seriatim 1—10 Richard I.

Vol. XIV. 1—17 John.

Vol. XV. 2—52 Henry III. He states that the roll of 1 Henry III. is wanting, which is the case at present. There are extracts from the roll of 56 Henry III., but none from the rolls of the fifty-third, fifty-fourth, and fifty-fifth years. It is probable that such extracts were made, but that they have by some accident been separated from the rest.

Vol. XVI. 1—30 Edward I.

Vol. XVII. 13—18 Edward II.; and the "Rotulus de Escaetr' de annis 17, 18, 19, et 20 Regis Edwardi Secundi inter Rotulos Pipæ ejusdem Regis apud Westm. penes Clericum Pipæ reservatos." Towards the end of this volume there are excerpts from the rolls of 13 and 14 Edward III.

These excerpts of Dodsworth from the Pipe Rolls engaged the attention of the Commission at an early period of their labours (*See Cooper on Public Records*, vol. ii. p. 340; and *Proceedings, &c.* p. 449 and 546); but it appears from the account given above, that though exceedingly useful to those who wish to peruse these important records with the same objects in view which Dodsworth himself had, they can by no means be regarded as in a state proper for publication as a national work; and that they afford no means of tracing out distinctly the sources and the fluctuations of the royal revenue, one of the most important uses to be made of these rolls.

The best use which, as it seems, can now be made of these excerpts is to supply *lacunæ* in the original records. Every roll which was in existence in the time of Dodsworth can now be produced; but in the course of the two last centuries some of the rolls have sustained slight injuries, and words or syllables are now lost which might

be read when the rolls were in the hands of Dodsworth. I subjoin the result of a collation of these excerpts with the decayed portions of the remarkable roll heretofore regarded as that of the fifth of Stephen, but now known to belong to the reign of Henry I., which roll was published by the Commission in 1833.

P. 11. l. 30. . . . . vii. s̃. *In Dodsworth*, Rad̃ . . . . . vii. s̃.

P. 12. l. 1. Adeline mat . . . . . de Noting̃ *D.* Adeline matri Will̃ Peur̃ de Noting̃

P. 39. l. 24. . . h̃s de Potereia *D.* Math̃s de Potereia

P. 138. l. 3. Euer . . . . *D.* Euerwic

P. 154. l. 29. . . go Danisc⁹ *D.* Hugo Danisc⁹

P. 155. l. 27. . . . . de Greinvilla *D.* Ric̃ de Greinvilla

P. 156. l. 3. . agan⁹ de Turb̃tivilla *D.* Paganus de Turb̃tivilla

P. 156. l. 11. . oger⁹ de Mol̃ *D.* Roger⁹ de Mol̃

P. 156. l. 16. . . . emin⁹ de Mol̃ *D.* Seuini⁹ de Mol̃

P. 157. l. 1 . . . . Giffard⁹ *D.* Robertus Giffard⁹

P. 157. l. 10 . . . . . vic̃ *D.* Et idem vic̃

P. 157. l. 19. . . . . lur̃ de Toteneis *D.* Alur̃ de Toteneis

P. 157. l. 29. . . . . de danegeldo *D.* Et id̃ vic̃ r. cōpot̃ de danegeldo

P. 161. l. 5. Rog̊o de Pomer̃ . . . *D.* Rog̊o de Pomer̃ xx. s̃.

We may further collect from these excerpts that the lower membrane of the fourth rotulet, which is now wanting (p. 40), was wanting in the time of Dodsworth; that the seventh rotulet was in its present lacerated state (p. 69) when he perused it, as were also the twelfth rotulet, p. 121, the fourteenth, p. 143, and the sixteenth, p. 158.

—XVIII.—

" Arbor Ogleana: sive baronum Ogleorum Northamhumbrensis familiæ perantiquæ descensus," &c.

This history of the baronial house of Ogle was compiled by Dodsworth at the suggestion and for the use of Catherine Baroness Ogle, mother of William Cavendish Earl and afterwards Duke of Newcastle. It consists of,

1. The descent of Ogle.
2. Transcripts of evidences, chiefly those then at Welbeck, by which the descent is established.
3. Pedigree of Haulton and Carnaby.

—XIX.—

" The names of most of the Nobilitie, with their creations, from William the Conqueror's tyme untill the yere anno Domini 1586, and their several armes."

A trivial book, of little or no value. The arms are not given.

—XX.—

A volume of Camden's Collections, much of it in his own hand.

This volume was formerly in the Cottonian Library, where it was numerated Julius B. x. This appears by a Cotton press-mark " Julius B. 10°," and by a table of contents in the same hand and in the same form with similar tables in the manuscripts still remaining in that library. In the printed catalogues of the Cottonian manuscripts, the manuscript so numerated is stated to be " wanting." The volume came to the Bodleian with the rest of Dodsworth's manuscripts, but it can hardly admit of a doubt that it had been borrowed by him from the Cottonian Library, and remained among his books at the time of his decease.

At the beginning are rough drafts of an inscription in Latin verse for a monument of Spenser, in the handwriting of Camden.

1. Various fragments of genealogy in Camden's own hand, collected by him out of public records and other evidences, f. 1—78. These relate to Pierrepoint, Vernon, Sidney, and many other families of the same rank.

2. A certificate by Sir Robert Willoughby, Knight, William Egerton, Squire, and Sir Richard Chatelton, priest, dated at Lichfield in 1484, that Sir John Bromley their cousin, then lying in the castle of Pomfrett, did aver that he was married to a daughter of the Lord Ryvers, and that Thomas Bromley his son, then in Wales, was the lawful issue of the said marriage; f. 80.

3. Three leaves of excerpta out of a chronicle, A.D. 1180—1205.

4. "Chronica Roberti Montensis" for the reigns of Henry I. and Stephen, and to the 24th Henry II.; f. 82.

5. "Nomina hæredum Willielmi Briewere," 43 Hen. III. f. 86.

6. "Participatio terrarum Comitis Mariscall';" f. 87.

7. "Ex registro Fordensis cœnobii;" f. 89. "*Dominus Baldwinus de Brionis miles . . . . . apud filium deferentes tolerabat.*"

8. A few slight extracts from a chronicle and the Placita; f. 99.

9. The genealogies are resumed at f. 103, and are continued to the end of the volume, with various extracts from evidences occasionally interspersed.

Amongst them, however, are,

10. A brief historical treatise, intituled "De morte Reginaldi de Moun fundatoris Abbathiæ de Wyweham [Nyweham], et de ejus visione quam vidit;" f. 114.

11. A fragment of what appears to have been intended as a defence of himself for having written on armoury. "*When I first set pen to write of arms,*" &c.; f. 119—123.

12. Some account of the Scotch nobility.

13. "A meddicen approvable against the plague.

14. "The armes of sundry gentlemen in North Wales."

—XXI.—

"Calendarium omnium VILLARUM infra comitat' EBOR', ordine alphabetico dispositum."

This book is more than the title expresses, for it contains, besides the list of names, references to the volume and page of these collections in which something may be found relating to each place. It is in fact a topographical index to the portions of these collections which relate to the county of York, framed by Dodsworth himself. See vol. XXIII.

—XXII.—

"Collectanea quædam ex REGISTRIS TESTAMENTORUM in officio registrarii Curiæ Prærogativæ London, per ROGERUM DODSWORTH, mense Aprilis, &c. 1651."

The wills of which this volume contains abstracts were proved between 1388 and 1545. The first will is that of Sir Thomas Wyndesore, dated 15th September 1383 and proved 10th May 1388; the last is that of Thomas Legh of Hoggeston, Esq., 1545, f. 258; they lie in chronological order, except that there are a few out of the regular series towards the close of the volume; f. 259—274.

Dodsworth seems to have perused the volumes in which the wills are entered in regular series, and to have made notes of what seemed to possess historical interest, and, in some instances, making complete abstracts of the whole document. As a specimen, I give the notice which this volume contains of the will of Thomas Gower, of whom there is reason to believe that he was of the family of Gower the poet.

> "1458. Jul. 11. Ego Thomas Gower armiger lego corpus meum sepeliendum in ecclesiâ parochiali Sanctæ Trinitatis de Clopham in com.

Surr. Item lego Johannæ uxori meæ totum tenementum meum in Southwerk et terras meas in South Lambehith pro vitâ: rem' Ricardo Gower et Johanni Gower filiis meis. Item lego predicto Johanni Gower filio meo primogenito dominium meum de Clopham in com' predicto, et terras in Chyngford in Essex, et heredibus; rem' Willielmo Passle et Isabellæ Passle filiis Johannis Passele et Ludovicæ uxoris suæ filiæ meæ jam defunct' et heredibus de corporibus eorundem Willielmi et Isabellæ legitimè procreatis. Probat' 24 Dec. 1458." f. 24 b.

—XXIII.—

" An alphabet of the Towns in Yorkshire."

A topographical index to these collections, similar to that in vol. XXI., but to be consulted jointly with it.

—XXIV.—

Transcripts of charters from the Charter Rolls at the Tower, relating chiefly to religious foundations.

These transcripts are not arranged in any exact order, and it may suffice to say that they are of the reigns of Henry III., Edward I., Edward II., and Edward III. A specification of them may be found in the catalogue of these collections already printed.

In the same volume are also,

Notes out of inquisitions of 18 Edward IV., 56 Henry III., 31 Henry III., and 8 Edward III.

Notes from the fine roll 8 Edward III., close roll 11 Edward I., and patent roll 48 Henry III.

At the beginning are a few slight memoranda to the effect that there is a coucher of Abbotsbury, in the hands of Sir James Strangways; a chartulary of Winchcombe, in the hands of Sir William Moreton; and divers deeds

touching the foundation of Nun Coton, in the hands of my Lord Hatton.

—XXV.—

Transcripts of charters from the CHARTÆ ANTIQUÆ at the Tower, relating almost exclusively to religious foundations.

They are taken from Rolls A, B, C, D, M, N, P, Q, R, S, T, W, X, Y, Z; AA, BB, CC, DD, EE, FF, GG, HH, JJ, KK, LL, MM, NN.

A specification of the particular charters of which there are transcripts in this volume may be found in the printed catalogue.

—XXVI.—

A volume of miscellanies relating to MONASTIC AFFAIRS.

1. " The coppies of sundry letters written by several commissioners to the Lo: Cromwell, which commissioners were employed in several counties to visit and put down religious houses. Taken and truly transcribed out of the originals bound up in Sir ROBERT COTTON's library, by me ROGER DODSWORTH, 1618;" f. 1—23. They are 14 in all, and they relate chiefly to the northern houses. The originals are still preserved in the Cottonian Library, in the manuscript numerated Cleop. E. III. Interspersed are a few other papers relating to the suppression.

2. " The resignation of Furnes Abbey to the Erle of Sussex."

3. " A brief certificate upon the dissolution of dyvers monasteries and pryories surrendered in November and December in the 30th yere of Henry VIII." These houses are in the counties of Nottingham, York, and Lancaster.

4. " Nomina monasteriorum suppress' ad collegium reverendissimi in Christo patris Thome Wolsey cardinalis Ebor' in almâ academiâ suæ universitatis Oxon' situat' pertinent' sive spectant'."

5. Large extracts from, if not an entire transcript of a coucher of the monastery of Drax in Yorkshire, then in the custody of Marmaduke Constable, Esquire, of Everingham; f. 24—95. It begins with the charter of William Paganel, the founder.

6. Large extracts from, and perhaps an entire transcript of "Liber de terris et redditibus, &c. ecclesiæ collegiatæ Sancti Johannis de Beverlaco spectantibus;" f. 103—145.

7. Charters of the house of Revesby in Lincolnshire; f. 149—155.

8. Transcript of a treatise, intitled "De origine monasterii de Fontibus," which was written by fr. H., a monk of Kirkstal, by whom it is inscribed to John abbot of Fountains; f. 157—191.

—XXVII.—

A book of Knights Fees in the county of York.

1. "Rotulus feodorum quæ tenentur de Rege et de aliis diversis in comitatu Ebor', secundum inquisitionem inde factam coram Dño Johanne de Kirkby tunc thesaurario Dñi Regis et sociis suis ad hoc assign' per ipsum Regem, et etiam de reddit' assisæ Reg' debit' secundum easdem inquisitiones: viz. anno 14 Edw. I." f. 1—75.

2. "Inquisitiones feodorum in Richmondshire, factæ coram Johanne de Kyrkeby thesaurario Domini E. fil' H. Regis, anno regni Regis E. xv.; ut patet in rotulo feodorum ejusdem anni in com' Ebor, et in bagâ de feodis in custodiâ reverend' Thirst' existen' in Ebor';" f. 78—104.

3. "Feoda militum infra West Rydinge in comitatu Ebor, ut habentur in quodam antiquo rotulo manuscripto;" f. 105—113. These were ascertained by inquests, and the names of the jurors are given. On the return for the liberties of Knaresborough and Ripon, f. 109 b., we find the date, which is 31 Edward I.

4. "Feoda militum de com' Ebor' in West Riding;" f. 117—130. This is copied from a roll consisting of

seventeen membranes then, 1632, in possession of the Earl of Kingston. The date is 34 Edward I.

5. " Evidentiæ extractæ de libris feodorum et aliis memorandis scaccarii de feodis militis in com' Ebor, liberand' collectoribus scutagii de exercitu Scotiæ anno primo Regis Edwardi III. a conquestu Angliæ, in eodem com' pro informatione habendâ de eisdem scutagiis levandis;" f. 133—152.

6. The inquisition commonly called Nomina Villarum, 9 Edw. II., as far as relates to the county of York, f. 154—183. This has been transcribed from the same incorrect transcript of the lost originals from which many other copies have been made. Some of the many and glaring errors are corrected by Dodsworth from his own local knowledge. The whole record has been printed by Sir Francis Palgrave in the *Parliamentary Writs*, vol. II. div. III. p. 301—416.

7. " The value of all the castles, manors, lands, and tenements of Henry Lord Clifford and Earl of Cumberland, which is belonging to the same honor and lordship," viz. Skipton, 3 Hen. VII.; f. 184—186.

—XXVIII.—

" Registra Archiepiscoporum Eboracensium abbreviata, per R. Dodsworth, 1636, 1637."

The registers of which this volume contains an abbreviate are those of,

Walter Gray; f. 1—10.
William Giffard; f. 11—24.
William de Wyckwayn; f. 25—27.
John Roman; f. 28—36.
Thomas de Corbrigg; f. 37—45.
William de Grenefield; f. 48—81.
William de Melton; f. 82—115.
W. de Zouch; f. 116—137.
John de Thoresby; f. 138—158.
Alex' de Nevill; f. 159—171.

Tho. de Arundel; f. 172—175.
Rob' de Waldeby; f. 176.
Ric' de Scrop; f. 177—185.
Henry Bowet; f. 185 b.—209.
John Kempe; f. 210—225.
William Bothe; f. 226—233.
George Nevile; f. 234—243.
Laurence Bothe; f. 244—246.
Thomas Rotheram; f. 247—264.
Thomas Savage; f. 265 and 266.
Christopher Baynbrigg ; f. 266 b.—268.
Thomas Wolcie; f. 269—273.
Edward Lee; f. 274—279.
Robert Holgate; f. 280—282.
Nicholas Hethe; f. 283 and 284.
Thomas Yonge; f. 285—287.
Edmund Grindall; f. 288 and 289.

These registers contain much most valuable information to the genealogical or topographical inquirer, and to historical inquirers in general, which may for the most part be referred to the following heads:—Foundations of oratories, chantries, and chapels,—Licences to marry,—Questions of legitimacy,—Leave to take mantle and ring,—Questions of heresy,—Presentations of clerks to benefices,—Visitations of churches,—Ordinations of vicarages,—Pleas in the archbishop's court,—Wills, of which there are many, and most of them of persons of distinction.

—XXIX.—

"Abstracta quædam sive spicelegia annotata ex recordis nuncupatis COMMUNIA MEMORANDORUM domini Regis, ex parte sive penes Rememoratorem domini Thesaurarii, ibidem, tempore Hen. III., per Simonds D'Ewes equite aurato et baronetto [*sic*] selecta, ex ipsis autographis, anno 1633."

It appears by these abstracts that the Communia rolls for the 1st, 2d, and 3d years of the reign of Henry III. were greatly injured.

—XXX.—

A volume of transcripts of MISCELLANEOUS CHARTERS, some of which are taken from originals, others from chartularies or the collections of other antiquaries. There are frequent trickings of the seals, and fragments of genealogies proved by them.

A special notice of many of them may be found in the printed catalogue, where it will be seen that they are for the most part of persons of distinction, and relating to considerable interests. It seems unnecessary to reprint these notices; but attention may be called to the few documents following, as of public historical importance:—

1. A charter of Maud the Empress, made at Oxford, by which she grants to Geffery Earl of Essex all the tenements which were Geffery his grandfather's; f. 113.

2. "Carta Anfricæ de Canaught heredis terræ de Man," 1305; f. 114.

3. Gillian Countess of Sarisbury and Lady of Man and of the Isle of Wight to her treasurer in London; f. 114.

4. "Pax inter Hen. II. et filios suos;" f. 118.

5. "Partitio baroniæ de Caynho," 14 Edw. fil' Hen.; f. 125.

—XXXI.—

A volume of collections relating to the county of CHESTER.

1. Documents relating to the abbey of St. Werburgh in Chester; f. 1—20.

2. Excerpts relating to the abbies of Dieulacres and Pulton; f. 20 b.—32.

3. Extract from Domesday Book; f. 33.

4. The abbey of Vale Royal; f. 34 b.

5. Extracts out of the evidences of John Davenport of Davenport, Esq.; f. 36.—54.

6. "Of the barony and barons of Halton," and the other Cheshire baronies; f. 55—58.

7. " Ex rotulo antiquo igne et fere consumpt' [*sic*] penes R. C. remanen';" f. 58 b.—60. This relates to the distribution of Cheshire after the Conquest.

8. " Recognitiones captæ in scaccario Cestr' coram Will' Troutbeck camerario Cestriæ, una cum irrotulamentis cartarum, scriptorum, et aliorum munimentorum a festo Sc̃i Mich' anno regni Regis Hen. VI. 16 usque ad festum Sc̃i Michaelis extunc proximè sequens de anno 17 Hen. VI.;" f. 60 b.—84.

9. " Ex rotulo cartarum antiquarum vocato Domesday;" f. 85—99.

10. A few miscellaneous charters; f. 100—103.

11. " Ex rotulo antiquo apud Gowsworth;" f. 103 b.—125. Copies of charters.

12. " Cotton de Cotton in com' Salop', et de Cumbermere; ex cartis Ran. Crew, arm., excerpt', 1613;" f. 125 b.

13. Miscellaneous notices of Cheshire charters, with extracts concerning Cheshire from Tower and Exchequer records interspersed; f. 126 ad finem.

No part of this volume is in the handwriting of Dodsworth.

—XXXII.—

A book containing " Divers Instruments."

1. Plea between the King and the prior of Coventry, 14 Ric. II.; f. 1.

2. Petition relating to a grant made by Edward the Black Prince to Sir Thomas Danyers, knight, for his good service in taking the chamberlain of Tankervile, and in relieving the banner of the King at the battle of Cressi; f. 2.

3. Agreement between Richard de Wortley and Thomas le Harper of Wortley touching lands there; f. 4.

4. A remarkable fragment of the will of Sir Anthony Benn, knight, recorder of London, dated April 26, 1618, and proved Oct. 28 following; f. 5.

5. " Bundæ terræ de Scolis infra villam de Eccleston juxta Prestecote in com' Lanc';" f. 7.

6. " Carta originalis de Sutton in com' Lanc';" f. 7 b.

7. " Hic incipit feodarium dominii de Halton infra com' Cestr' et Lancastriæ pertinens domino de Halton;" f. 9—13.

8. Charter of King Stephen to the priory of Eye in Suffolk, from an original in possession of Lord William Howard; f. 14.

9. " A note of certain knights appointed by William the Conqueror to be kept at Ely;" f. 15.

10. A charter of Thomas de Verdon to the abbey of Walden; f. 16 b.

11. A fine in the Earl Warren's court at Wakefield between William son of Robert de Cricleston petent and John son of Elias de Midhope tenent, concerning lands at Cricleston; f. 16 b.

12. " The petition of Francis Viscount St. Alban's to the upper House of Parliament;" f. 17.

13. Perambulation of the forest of Knaresborough, 18 Eliz.; f. 18 and 19.

14. Charter of King Stephen relating to the abbey of Bridlington; f. 20.

15. " Carta Engelrami de Bohun de fundatione abbathiæ Sanctæ Mariæ de Quadrariâ in Insulâ Vecte;" f. 21.

16. Table of the descendants of Sir Ralph Bowes and his wife, an heiress of Conyers; f. 22.

17. Memoranda of the descent of Darton, in Yorkshire; f. 22 b.

18. Inquisition respecting a chantry on Saint Mary Holme in Wimandermere, which two chaplains of the order of the house of Segden in Scotland were wont to hold, to whom the island (which was within the lordship of William de Couci) belonged, and other rights belonging to them. This interesting inquisition was found at Kendal, on the Monday after the feast of the Annunciation, 28 Edward III.; f. 23.

19. An original letter of Sir Henry Spelman to Dodsworth, dated Barbacan, 13th February 1633, accompanying lists of the sheriffs of Yorkshire and Lancashire; and also a composition respecting churches in Yorkshire

between the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Durham, for Dodsworth's intended history of Yorkshire; f. 24.

20. An original letter from Sir Hamon le Strange concerning the Stuteviles, Foliots, and Hastings', with the remarkable inscription on the monument of Sir John Hastings at Gressenhall in Norfolk. This letter was addressed, not as in the printed catalogue, to Dodsworth, but to Sir Henry Spelman (brother in law of the writer), by whom it was transmitted to Dodsworth, 28th June 1634.

21. An original letter to Dodsworth, signed Robert Curwen, 16th May 1634, relating to the priory of Conyhed; f. 30.

22. " Ex cartulario monasterii monialium de Blackburgh in com. Norff. in bibliothecâ Hen. Spelman mil.;" f. 31—34.

23. A few rough notes from pleas of assize in the western counties, 9 Henry IV.; f. 35 and 36.

24. " A copy of a letter from the Great Mogull or King of the East Indies unto the King of England;" f. 37.

25. Inquisition, 22 Richard II., respecting a gift to the church of Beverley; f. 41.

26. Inquisition, 7 Henry IV., after the death of John Fiz Randolf, who had been convicted of treason and adjudged to die; f. 42.

27. " Cartæ de Luversell." Copies from a roll lent to Dodsworth by Robert Rockley of Rockley, Esq.; f. 43—46.

28. " Copy of three court rolls belonging to the manor of Barnesley, in com. Ebor., sometime the possession of the Prior of Pontefract, lent me by Sir Gervas Cutler of Staynber, Knight, 1632." They are of the years 1340 and 1341, and of 23 Edward III.; f. 47—54.

29. " Ex rotulo antiquo in quo transcribuntur cartæ pertinentes olim dominis honoris de Cokermouth in com' Cumberland, continens 15 membranas, penes me Rogerum Dodsworth, 2 Jul. 1634;" f. 55—104. Dodsworth adds, " modo comes Northumb' habet, scilicet, Aug. 1640."

30. " Copies of sundry deeds given unto me Roger Dodsworth by my cosen Thomas Stocdale of Bilton Park, near Knaresborough in com' Ebor, 1633 ;" f. 106—146. These deeds relate to lands in Eglesfeld, Elingham, &c. Many of them are of the family of Harbottle.

—XXXIII.—

Collections for the history of the family of BUTLER EARL OF ORMOND, containing transcripts of various early charters of the family, especially of Theobald Walter and Hubert Walter.

An unfinished work.

—XXXIV.—

A volume of matter relating to the HONOUR OF PONTEFRACT.

1. An inquisition in which is shown what pertains to the duchy of Lancaster within the county of York, taken in 1577, and commonly known by the name of Bernard's Survey ; f. 1—44.

2. " Fines pro homagio respectand' Pontefrett, anno 19 Eliz. ;" f. 45—47.

3. " Sectores curiæ honor' Pontefracti, anno 21 Ric. II. ;" f. 48.

4. " Sectores curiæ honor' Pontifracti, anno 34 Edw. III." f. 48 b.

5. Inquisition of lands in the wapentake of Barkstone, temp' Eliz. ; f. 49—51.

6. Grant of Saxton by Alice de Laci to Margaret de Kirketon ; f. 52.

7. Extract from the inquisition post mortem of Henry de Laci, of the honour of Pontefract, 4 Edward II. ; f. 56—61.

8. Pedigree of the Viscounts Beaumont, with charter of Isabella de Beaumont Dña de Vesci ; f. 61 b.

9. Charter of free warren to Richard de Byron ; f. 63.

10. " Rentale ballivorum honoris Pontisfracti ; viz. ex parte orient', occident', austral', et borial', fact' et renovat'

coram Thomâ Somercotes auditore et Thomâ Wombell locumtenente senescalli ibidem virtute brevis regis de warranto inde direct'; dat' apud Westm' xvii. die Februarii anno regis Henr. VI. tertio;" f. 64—84.

At the beginning of this volume is an extract from Domesday Book of what relates to the manor of Wakefield, and at the end are a few notes and references to records concerning various places in the county of York.

One leaf belonging to the latter part of this volume is by mistake bound up in the volume which succeeds it.

—XXXV.—

Collections out of records, chiefly those of the Exchequer.

1. "Collectanea ex Rubro Libro Scaccarii ex parte Rememoratoris Regis remanente, quæ apprimè conducunt cum ad stemmatum familiarumque series enucleandas, tum ad illustrandum regni Angliæ chorographiam;" f. 1—25.

2. A few rough notes from fines and other records of the reigns of Henry V. and Henry VI.; f. 33—35.

3. "In quodam rotulo in custodiâ Henrici Croke militis clerici Pipæ apud Westminster reservato, tangente terras Templariorum; sic Δ per me annotato," 1 Edward II.; f. 46—72. These are accounts rendered into the Exchequer by persons to whom the lands of the Templars were committed.

4. "Ces sunt les nons e ses arm a banerez de Engletere, E. II.;" f. 74—111. The Earls occur first, and then the other principal persons, distributed in counties. Printed in *The Antiquarian Repertory*, vol. iii. p. 86—124.

5. "De denariis solutis diversis comitibus, baronibus, militibus, et aliis, pro vadiis suis et hominum suorum ad arma et hobelarios tam in guerrâ Scotiæ quam in munitionibus castrorum in marchiâ Scociæ et Angliæ, a primo die Maii, anno quinto decimo, et cetera." This is extracted from the wardrobe account of Roger de Waltham, from 1st May 15 Edward II. to 19th October 17 Edward II., delivered by himself at the Exchequer on

22d May, 3 Edward III. Other extracts from the same wardrobe accounts follow to the end of the volume; f. 114—155.

—XXXVI.—

A few excerpts from the CLOSE ROLLS of the reigns of Edward III., Richard II., Henry IV., V., and VI., and Edward IV.

—XXXVII.—

A book of TENANTS IN CHIEF, of precisely the same nature with vol. XI., and extending through the same period, viz. from 1 Henry IV. to 15 Edward IV. Vol. XI. seems to be intended to be a fair copy of this volume, but there may be a few things here which have not been transcribed into the other volume.

—XXXVIII.—

A book of transcripts made by Dodsworth out of the COLLECTIONS of Sir SIMONDS D'EWES.

1. Charters of the abbey of Shaftesbury; f. 1—8. These are published.

2. "Collectanea quædam selecta ex registro MS. sive armario monasterii Sancti Johannis Baptistæ Colecestriæ spectante Johanni Lucas armigero, anno Domini 1633;" f. 9—20.

3. "Ex quodam MS., penes Dom. Simondes D'Ewes militem et baronettum, cujus titulus, Fundationes et nomina monasteriorum, scripto propriâ manu Johannis Leland;" f. 21—29. This relates to Exeter, Bath, Burton upon Trent, Glastonbury, and Saint Thomas of Acon, London.

4. "In quodam antiquo MS. cronographo, cujus titulus talis est: Liber monasterii Beatæ Mariæ Sanctique Egwini, Eveshamiæ;" f. 30—38.

5. "Collectanea quædam eorum quæ ad topographicam Suffolciensis instaurandam corographiam conducunt, se-

lecta ex pervetusto libro MS. prioratûs de Eyâ, Registrum Malet nuncupato, et hoc anno 1636, spectante Thomæ Day de eâdem villâ generoso;" f. 39.

6. Extracts from D'Ewes' collections out of the private charters of several Suffolk families; f. 40—60.

7. Notes from the chartulary of St. John Baptist of Colchester, and from the register of Walter de Pyncebeck, monk of St. Edmundsbury; f. 60 b.—64.

8. Notes from Wills proved at Norwich, 1371—1474; f. 65—137.

9. Pedigree of Poley of Boxted; f. 141.

10. Notes from miscellaneous pedigrees and charters collected by D'Ewes; f. 141 b.—165.

A more particular specification of some of the portions of this volume may be seen in the catalogue of 1697. Some of the manuscripts of Sir Simonds D'Ewes, from which these excerpts were made, are now in the Harleian collection at the British Museum.

—XXXIX.—

A volume of MISCELLANEOUS HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS, chiefly from records of the DUCHY OF LANCASTER.

1. A few pedigrees of Cheshire families; f. 2—4.

2. "Extracta compotorum Henrici Nottingham ballivi feod' dñi Regis de ducatu suo Lanc' in com' Norf' et Suff', de rationabili auxilio pro Blanchiâ filiâ dicti domini Regis maritandâ, anno 4 et 5 Hen. IV.;" f. 5 b.

3. "Compotus Hugonis Norburgh feodar' dñi Regis de ducatu suo Lanc' in com' Linc', &c. 4 et 5 Hen. IV.;" f. 6.

4. "Feoda Wil' de Langespeye," 18 Edw. II.; f. 8.

5. Feoda in Wilts, 20 Hen. III.; f. 11 b.—14.

6. "In libro intitulato Feodarium Henrici comitis Lancastriæ, extract' ex Rubeo Libro et Libris Feodorum in officio ducatûs Lancastr' apud Grays Inn reservato;" f. 15—24.

7. Extracts from the book of Kirkstall in the same office; f. 24 b. – 35.

8. Extracts from the chartulary of Daventry in the same office; f. 36—38.

9. Extracts from the book of Furness in the same office, with a few genealogical deductions, especially one of Harrington; f. 38 b.—48.

10. Collections relating to the honour of Pontefract made in the same office; f. 57—77. These are chiefly out of accounts of bailiffs, feodaries, and other ministers, and extend from 19 Edw. I. to 37 Hen. VIII., but not in continuous series.

11. " Nomina villarum et hameletorum de aut infra honorem de Tutbury, Altum Peccum, et Castle Donington cum membris in com' Stafford', Derbie, Noting', Leicestrie, et Warwic'; ac nomina officiariorum ibidem et auctoritates suas, et feoda, vadia, et alia proficua dictorum officiariorum pertin'; ac libertates diversorum tenentium ibidem ab antiquo usitat'; cum rentali diversorum dominiorum ibidem, capt' virtute commissionis dñi Regis Thomæ Somercotes auditori, Thomæ Bothebi receptori et generali supervisori honoris predicti, et Thomæ Wade tunc locumtenenti senescalli, eis direct', per diversas inquisitiones et per sacramentum et cognitionem dictorum tenentium et inhabitantium infra honorem predict' coram eis capt' et fact', quarto die Februarii anno regni Regis Henrici filii Regis Henrici secundo, prout continetur in libro vocat' Le Coucher;" f. 79—88.

12. " Ex libro collectionum Arthuri Agard penes Radulphum Terrick de Lichfeld gen', 17 Jan. 1631;" f. 89—104. The volumes and charters out of which Agard had made these collections are: " Liber prioratûs de Dunstaple;" " Liber cantariæ de Tuttebury," in possession of his brother William Agard of Foston, Esquire; charters and scripts of the monastery of Wykes in Essex and of Mountjoy in Haveringland in Norfolk, in the treasury of the Exchequer; a register of the abbey of Kenelworth; a register of the abbey of Barnwell near Cambridge; a

very elegant manuscript lent to him 4th June 1600 by Mr. Richard Saint George; a register of the abbey of Oseney, lent to him by his friend Augustin Steward; a collection of evidences of the priory of Dunstaple, in possession of Mr. William Duncombe living there; Mr. Lillie's book of the barons, from which are extracted a few notes respecting Musard and Paynel; a register of the priory of Coventry, in possession of ——— Smyth, solicitor to the Lord Berkley, 1595.

13. A few notes from Paganel charters; f. 105.

14. Slight pedigree of Howard; f. 106.

15. Copies and abstracts of evidences belonging to Sir Edward Fitton of Gawsworth, Baronet, 1635; f. 107—117.

16. The like of the evidences of Sir George Booth of Dunham, Baronet, 1656; f. 118—123.

17. Notes from placita of the county of Chester, 3 Ric. II., and other documents relating to that county; f. 124—132. These appear to be copied from a manuscript belonging to Lord Brereton.

18. Depositions from the Examiner's Office in Chancery relating to the marriage of Thomas Thwaytes, son and heir of John Thwaytes, with Emott Middleton, daughter of Nicholas Middleton, alleged to have been solemnized at Kirk Dighton about twenty-six years before, 9 Hen. VIII.; f. 134.

19. Notes of the families of Vernon and Audley; f. 136, 137.

20. Copies and abstracts of the evidences of Sir Charles Gerard of Halsall, co. Lanc', 1636; f. 138—144.

21. Extracts from the collections of William Vernon of Shakerley, Esquire, relating for the most part to the descent of Cheshire families; f. 145 ad finem.

—XL.—

The first of a series of volumes, of which vol. XLIV., XLVIII., and LX. are the second, third, and fourth, containing Dodsworth's notes out of the Inquisitions at the Tower, Post Mortem

and AD QUOD DAMNUM. The title prefixed to this volume is: "Ex bundellis Escaetriæ ab anno primo Regis Henrici Tertii usque ad annum lvii. ejusdem Regis; abstractæ per ROGERUM DODSWORTH rei antiquæ studiosum, 1649."

They are rather occasional extracts than abstracts, and lie in the volume in no exact chronological order. They are for the most part in Dodsworth's own hand. He appears here, as well as in his notes from other great bodies of records, to have selected whatever struck him at the moment as of importance, without having any fixed principle of selection, or any very definite object. They fill from f. 1. to f. 175.

In the same volume, f. 189 — f. 232, "Ex bundello inquisitionum de rebellibus et adversariis domini Regis et domini Edwardi filii sui fact. anno regni Regis H. filii Regis J. quadragesimo nono, post bellum de Lewes et post bellum de Evesham."

—XLI.—

Copies and abstracts of EXCHEQUER and other RECORDS.

1. "Rotulus de dominabus puellis et pueris in comitat' subscriptis; scilicet, Middlesex, Essex, Hertfordscir, Bedfordscir, Buckinghamscir, Norff', Suff', Cambridg', Huntingdon, [Northamptonscir,] Rutland, et Lincolnscirâ; ex parte Rememoratoris Regis in Scaccario. Transcript' termino Sanctæ Trinitatis anno Dom. 1638, per me ROGERUM DODSWORTH, propriâ manu;" f. 1—12.

Dodsworth has in some instances abbreviated the entries in this early record. A fuller transcript, the joint work of Dodsworth and D'Ewes, is in the Harleian department of the Museum manuscripts, No. 624., but the originals are still in the custody of the King's Remembrancer. Mr. Stacey Grimaldi's publication of this roll, 4to., 1830, was made from the Museum transcript, and is said to agree very exactly with the original record.

This is not the place to discuss the question of the year or the reign to which this valuable record belongs; but it may be observed that the two antiquaries who made the transcripts arrived at different conclusions, D'Ewes assigning it to the 31st Henry II. and Dodsworth to the 1st Ric. I.

2. "In 10 rotulis simul ligatis de diversis inquisitionibus de feodis captis in com' Lincoln';" f. 15—33. These are of 20 Hen. III. They were preserved on Fanshaw's side in the Exchequer, 1638.

3. "Inquisitio facta per comitatus Angliæ anno regni Regis Hen. filii Regis Johannis xxviii°. de serjantiis Regis et terris Normannorum et eorum qui fuerunt extra regnum ad fidem Regis Franciæ;" f. 33 b.—35. This inquisition is entered on the dorse of one of the ten rolls before mentioned.

4. "Evidentiæ extractæ de Libro Feodorum et aliis memorandis Scaccarii de feodis militis in com' Northampton' liberand' coll' scutagii de exercitu Scotiæ anno primo Regis E. Tertii a conquestu in eodem com. pro informatione habendâ de eisdem scutag' levand';" f. 39—46.

5. "Carta Will' Peverelli fundatoris ecclesiæ Sancti Jacobi de Northampton;" f. 47.

6. Grant to a rector of Danby Wisk, 1208; f. 47.

7. "In quodam MS. antiquo miscellaneo pergameno olim abbathiæ de Ramsey spectante, tractans presertim de homagiis et sectis abbati debitis, in custodiâ Roberti Hewes de Greys Inn jurisconsulti, Trin. Term. 1638;" f. 48.

8. Extracts from the Rotuli de quo warranto for the county of York, 21 Edw. I.; f. 49 and 50.

9. Foundation charter of Newstead priory; f. 51.

10. Extracts from the chartulary of the abbey of Barlings in Lincolnshire, in the Cottonian Library; f. 51 b. and 52. This is no doubt the register of Barlings, a manuscript imperfect at the beginning and the end, bound up in the volume numerated Faustina B. 1.

11. Slight notes from placita in the King's Bench of the reigns of Edw. I. and Edw. III.; f. 53—62.

12. Slight memoranda respecting the foundations of certain religious houses; f. 63.

13. Notes from charters of the reign of Henry VI.; f. 64—66.

14. Slight memoranda from records; f. 68.

15. Grant to the church of St. Mary de Pratis of Leicester by Ernaldus de Bosco; f. 69.

16. Collections relating to the family of Roper of Heanor in Derbyshire, with notes from a great book of pleas of Trin. Term, 33 Edw. I., and others of the reign of Edw. II., in possession of Samuel Roper, Esquire, and from an anonymous chronicle in his possession, which appears, however, to be Henry of Huntingdon's; f. 70—85.

17. Extracts from the collections of John Booth of Twemlow in Cheshire, Esquire, out of the evidences of —— Leicester of Toft in that county; notes respecting Cumbermere and other Cheshire monasteries, transmitted to him by Will. Vernon of Shakerley; and a few notes from inquisitions in the exchequer of the county palatine of Chester, 25 Edw. III. to 16 Hen. VII.; f. 86—101.

18. Extracts from evidences of the Woodfords' lands in Leicestershire, in possession of Sir Charles Smith of Wotton, co. Warw., Knight; f. 105—112.

19. Notes from the evidences of Huddleston of Millum; f. 113—117.

20. Notes respecting Cheshire from the collections of Will. Vernon, including an inquisition after the death of Ferdinando Earl of Derby; f. 118—127.

21. "Canonizatio Thomæ Archiepiscopi Cantuariensis;" f. 128 ad finem.

—XLII.—

"Apparatus Genealogicus; sive breve abstractum eorum quæ ad stemmatum familiarumque Anglicarum series enucleandas spectant, selectum ex plurimis autographis, cartis, archetypicis pri-

vatas familias spectantibus, rotulis placitorum, patentium, clausarum, finium, escaetriarum, et similium in archivis Regis reconditorum ; necnon ex ultimis voluntatibus sive testamentis, et registris MSS. sive libris monasteriorum et prioratuum, cum irrotulatoriis tum chronologicis, et aliis nonnullis antiquitatis monumentis fide dignis." f. 1—80.

Of these genealogical deductions by far the greater part are from inquisitions. There is little later than the reign of Richard II. They seldom extend to more than three or four generations. Reference is in all cases made to the authority.

In the same volume, f. 81—164, are notes, many of which are genealogical, from the placita of the reign of Henry III., both before the king and before the justices itinerant. They are without order of time.

—XLIII.—

A volume of INQUISITIONS of eminent persons ; the earlier leaves of which appear to be lost, as it begins at f. 50.

They are of Gilbert de Gant, 2 Edw. I.; Peter de Brus, 7 Edw. I.; John Deyvill, 7 Edw. I.; honor of Pokelington, 44 Hen. III.; Roger de Merley, 50 Hen. III.; Henry Lord Percy, 8 Edw. II.; Henry late Duke of Lancaster, 35 Edw. III.; John Duke of Britain and Earl of Richmond, 15 Edw. III.; Ralph Earl of Westmorland, 4 Hen. VI.; Ralph de Nevile, 41 Edw. III.; Thomas Thwenge, 48 Edw. III. These extend to f. 171. From that folio to f. 267, the end of the volume, are numerous inquisitions, chiefly post mortem, of persons having lands in the county of York in the reigns of Richard II. and Henry IV.

—XLIV.—

A second volume of notes of INQUISITIONS, in sequence with vol. XL. This contains the reign of Edward I.

—XLV.—

Collections, chiefly for the FOUR NORTHERN COUNTIES.

1. Notes from chartularies of Brenkburn, Lanrecost, Holm Cultram, the Carmelites of Alnwick, Hepp, and the priory of St. Constantine of Wetherall, all in the custody of Lord William Howard of Naworth; f. 1—32. In the Wetherall chartulary is a fragment of history here transcribed, entitled "Chronicon Cumbriæ,"—"*Rex Willielmus cognomine Bastardus . . . . . Antonius frater ejus.*" Accompanying these notes are pedigrees of the old Lords of Corkeby, of Curwen, Dacre, and Musgrave.

2. Extracts from the evidences of Sir John Fenwick, Bart.; f. 33—44. Among these was the black book of Hexham, being a rental of the lands of the priory, made in 1479.

3. Notes from the evidences of Will. Swinburn of Capheaton, Esq., and John his son and heir apparent; f. 47—57.

4. Pedigree of Hasilrigge, from Burton's Leicestershire; f. 61.

5. The wapentake of Langbargh, from the Lord Fauconbergh's copy of Kirkby's Inquest; f. 62.

6. A few rough notes from registers in possession of the dean and chapter of Durham, with a few church notes at Durham; f. 63—68. More, f. 79—81.

7. Slight notes made in the churches of Gosberkirk and Waddington, co. Linc.; f. 68 b.

8. Foundation charter of Newborough, from the original in possession of Lord Fauconbergh, with notes of other evidences at Newborough; f. 69—72.

9. Evidences of Meynel of North Kilvington, with a genealogy; f. 73—77.

10. Extracts from the evidences of Ralph Carnaby of Halton; f. 77 and 78; f. 82—88; f. 113—116.

11. Notes from the evidences of Sir Will. Witherington; f. 89—100; f. 119—125.

12. "Evidences given to me Roger Dodsworth by Sir Will. Witherington, which he esteemed impertinent;" f. 102—112.

13. Extracts from the evidences of Sir Edward Radcliffe of Dilston, Bart.

14. Notes of Claxton, Grey, Ogle, Witherington, and other Northumberland families; f. 126—130.

15. Catalogue of sheriffs of Northumberland, collected from the Pipe Rolls, 1 Hen. II. to 23 Hen. VII.

—XLVI.—

"Liber feodar' de RICHMONDSHIRE."

This volume contains a large collection of charters and of public records relating to Richmondshire.

—XLVII.—

"Certificationes factæ de FEODIS MILITIS per totam Angliam ut habentur penes Rememoratorem Regis in Scaccario remanente."

These are taken for the most part, if not entirely, from the RED BOOK of the EXCHEQUER.

—XLVIII.—

Vol. III. of the INQUISITIONS, of which vol. XL. and XLIV. are the two preceding.

This volume contains those of the reign of Edward II., and to the fourth year of Edward III.

—XLIX.—

A volume composed of similar materials to vol. XLV., being chiefly collections for the NORTHERN COUNTIES and LINCOLNSHIRE.

1. "Out of Mr. Heron of Chipchase's evidences;" f. 1—10.

2. " An exemplification under the hand and seal of Henry Earl of Northumberland of sundry deeds and grants of the auncient lords of Alnewick, touching the foundation and endowment of the abbey there; dated 26th March, 23 Hen. VIII.;" f. 11—22.

3. Notes from the evidences of Albany Fetherstonehaugh, Esq.; f. 23—26.

4. Charters, church notes, pedigrees, &c. of Cumberland; f. 27—32.

5. Notes from the evidences of Robert Lyell of Felton, Esq.; f. 33—36.

6. Notes from the evidences of Will. Hesilrigge of Swarland, Esq.; f. 38—46.

7. " In the chest of Nun Appleton in Saint Mary's tower;" f. 48—51.

8. " In Mr. Christopher Lowther's book;" f. 50.

9. A few notes of Northumberland inquisitions; f. 52.

10. A survey of the lands of such rebels as took part with the Earls of Northumberland and Westmorland in the time of Elizabeth, from a book in the custody of Sir Tho. Fanshaw the King's Remembrancer; f. 55—58, imperfect.

11. Notes from the evidences of Richard Lilleburn of Thickley Punchardon in Durham, Esq.; f. 59.

12. Notes from the evidences of Will. Earl of Newcastle; f. 63—72. These relate chiefly to the Ogles of Bothall.

13. Topographical notes made at Kyme in Lincolnshire, 13th Sept. 1641; f. 73 and 74.

14. Notes from the evidences of Lord Dunbar; f. 75.

15. Notes from the evidences of Charles Dymock, Esq.; f. 78; f. 94—99.

16. Charter of the abbey of Cirencester, from the Chartæ Antiquæ MM.; f. 95.

17. Church notes at Aldborough in Holderness, and at Stoke Rochford; f. 96.

18. " A brief and true answer to the articles of unkindnesses preferred by the Right Hon. the Earl of Lincoln against Sir Edward Dymok, Knight;" f. 99 b.

19. Inspeximus of a grant of Henry III. to John de Hawelton; f. 101.

20. A few miscellaneous memoranda from charters and records; f. 102—104.

21. A very few notes, chiefly heraldric, from memorabilia collected by Anthony Butler, who died 9th March 1608, and church notes at Heckington in Lincolnshire; f. 105.

22. "The danger that the kingdom now standeth in, and the remedy; by Sir Robert Cotton, Knight and Baronet;" f. 112.

23. "Of Robert Devereux Earl of Essex and George Villiers Duke of Buckingham; some observations by way of parallel in the time of their estates of honour;" f. 120. Printed in *Reliquiæ Wottoniæ*, 1651, p. 1—70.

—L.—

Miscellaneous collections, especially from the Papers of the Plumpton family.

1. "Auxilium concessum Regi Edwardo Primo in expeditione suâ contra Scotos circa ann. 1292;" f. 1—5.

2. Documents relating to transactions of the house of St. Mary of York; f. 7—9.

3. Notes of pleas of assize, temp. Edw. I. et Edw. III.; f. 9 b.—38.

4. Transcripts of papers which belonged to the family of Plumpton; f. 39—116: viz.

1. "A tenth collected before 15 Edw. IV. in the wapentake of Claro;" f. 39—79.
2. Copies of letters relating to Perkin Warbeck; viz.
    1. The King to the Bishop of Carlisle, dated at Woodstock, 20th Sept.; announcing that intelligence had been received of his having landed and being well received by the commonalty of Cornwall; that on Sunday the 17th he was before Exeter and had there been repulsed by the Earl of Devon, who was in the city, with considerable loss; has

offered a reward to any one who will bring him in.

2. The Earl of Devon to the King, dated Exeter, 18th Sept.; informing him of what had passed. A copy of this letter was transmitted with the king's letter to the bishop.
3. The King to the Bishop of Carlisle, dated at Knaresborough [*thus, but q. ?*], 25th Sept.; informing him that on Thursday about midnight Perkin fled from his company at Tanton.
4. The Bishop of Bath to the Bishop of Carlisle, dated Woodstock, 23d Sept., with the same intelligence; f. 80—82.

These letters are printed in Sir Henry Ellis's *Original Letters*, vol. i. p. 38.

3. Indenture, dated 12th July, 20 Hen. VII., between the King and Will. Plumpton, Esq., and Isabel his wife, respecting lands that had descended to the said Isabel from Isabel Hastings, late wife of Sir John Hastings; f. 82.
4. Documents relating to the Babthorpes and their lands, then in dispute with the Plumptons; and a few notices respecting the wapentake of Claro; f. 84—97.
5. " Knights made by my Lord of Gloucester in Hutton Field in Scotland, 1482;" f. 98.
6. Agreement on the marriage of Thomas, son and heir apparent of Robert Roos, with a daughter of Sir Will. Plumpton, 1454; f. 98 b.
7. Petition in parliament of Sir William Plumpton, his will, and other papers relating to him; f. 103—116.

5. A metrical history of the family of Percy, written by Will. Peeris, clerk and priest, secretary to Henry the fifth Earl of Northumberland; f. 119—128.

" Chronicles and annual bookes of kings
Of ancient lords and estates royal," &c.

6. Foundation by King Henry VI., in the twenty-fifth year of his reign, of a guild at Nottingham, in the church of St. Mary, of one alderman, two custodes, with brethren and sisters, of the parishioners of the said church; f. 135—137.

—LI.—

" Collectanea ex Escaetr' de an° 34 Hen. III. in Arce Londinensi, tangentia comitatum Essex ex maximâ parte."

This volume is thus entitled by Dodsworth himself, but it is, in fact, notes from those records, beginning with 27 Hen. III. and continued to 1 Ric. III.; then follow similar notes from records of the same class for the reigns of Henry VII., Henry VIII., Edward VI., and Philip and Mary, kept at the Chapel of the Rolls.

—LII.—

" Collectiones ex Rotulis Finium inter archivos Regis in Turri Londinensi reservatis, ab anno xlv° Regis Edwardi Tertii usque ad annum xiii Regis Edwardi Quarti; per Rogerum Dodsworth Eboracensem, rei antiquæ studiosum, mensibus Maii, Junii, et Julii, a° Dñi m.dc.xlix."

The notes from the fine rolls of Edward IV. are very few, and there are not any of the 12th and 13th years. Vol. LVI. contains similar collections for the reign of Henry III.

—LIII.—

Miscellaneous collections, chiefly for the counties of York and Lancaster.

1. Extracts from a chartulary of the abbey of Meaux, now in the tower of St. Mary, York, 1635; f. 1—10.

2. Notes from the evidences of Ric. Tildesley, son of Sir Tho. Tildesley; f. 12.

3. " Verses made upon the Scotch sermon preached at Edinburgh the 16th of July 1638 touching the kirk;" f. 12 b.

4. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Southworth of Samelsbury, Esq.; f. 13—21; f. 23—28.

5. Notes from those of Sir Gilbert Hoghton, Bart.; f. 22.

6. Notes from those of Francis Malhom of Elslack, Esq.; f. 29—31.

7. A few slight genealogical notices; f. 32.

8. Extract from the will of John Rayney, Esq., dated 25 Feb. 1631, respecting the foundation of a school and lectureship at Worsborough; f. 37.

9. Notes from court rolls of the prior of Pontefract, for Barnsley, in the custody of Sir Gervas Cutler; f. 38—41.

10. A collection of charters, fairly transcribed, relating to lands in the wapentake of Staincross and the parishes of South Kirkby, Hemsworth, and Badsworth, including the foundation charter of a chantry in the church of Hemsworth by Simon Balderston in 21 Edw. III.; f. 43—74.

11. Charters of Molyneux of Sefton; f. 75—79.

12. Notes from the evidences of Henry Butler of Rawcliffe, co. Lanc., Esq.; f. 83—102.

—LIV.—

Slight notes from the Tower Records.

1. From the patent, close, oblatæ, liberate, fine, and charter rolls, intermixed, 1 John—11 Hen. III.; f. 1—104.

2. From the patent rolls, 16 Hen. III.—23 Ric. II.; f. 105—157.

3. From the charter rolls, 10 Edw. I.—2 Hen. V.; but many years of which there are no notes; f. 159—188.

4. At the end, f. 189—211, are extracts from the Testa de Nevil.

—LV.—

A volume of miscellanies chiefly relating to Monasteries.

1. Extracts from collections made by Will. Dugdale of

Blythe Hall, Esq., in the Bodleian and other libraries at Oxford; f. 1—32. The greater part relates to monastic foundations; but there are a few notes of families, as the Catesbys; a catalogue of creations of nobility from July 27, 1642, to Dec. 24, 1645; creations of peers of Ireland.

2. Extracts from a chartulary of the priory of Saint Thomas the Martyr, near Stafford; f. 33 and 34.

3. Extract from a chartulary of the house of Sibeton in Norfolk, in the library of the Earl of Arundel; f. 35—46, and f. 49.

4. A charter of King Offa to the abbey of Evesham, said to be transcribed from an original by Edmund Langley; f. 47.

5. Charter of Gervase Paganel of Dudley to the monastery of Sandwell; f. 47 b.

6. Transcript from the close roll, 5 Hen. V. m. 15.

7. Extracts from the register of Niewham in Devon; f. 50—55.

8. Large extracts, many of the charters being transcribed at large, from the chartulary of the priory of Lewes, in possession of Edward Bysshe, Esq.; f. 57—85.

9. Extracts from the chartulary of the priory of Horton in Kent, "made by ——— Somenour de civitate Cantuar';" f. 86—88.

10. Extracts from the chartulary of the abbey of Salley in Yorkshire, in the possession of Sir Simonds D'Ewes; f. 89 and 90.

11. Extracts from the Actus Curiæ of Archbishop Winchelsey in the Lambeth library; f. 91 and 92.

12. A few notes concerning the family of Darcy; f. 92 b. and 93.

13. Extracts from the register of Bermundsey in Surrey, in the custody of Sir Simonds D'Ewes; f. 97—101.

14. "The coppie of the table that was hanging in the priorie of Stone at the time of the suppression of the same in the 29th year of the reign of our sovereign lord King Henry VIII."

"All manner of men that lust for to heere," &c.

It is a rhyming history of the house of Stafford, written on the death of Sir Hugh Stafford lord Bourchier, son of Hugh earl of Stafford; f. 102 and 103. These verses are not noticed in the account given of Lord Bourchier by Dugdale, *Baronage*, vol. i. p. 173.

15. Extracts from the register or martyrology of the priory of the Holy Trinity of Canterbury, in the custody of Sir Simonds D'Ewes; f. 104—116. We have here an account of the admission into the brotherhood of this house of numerous persons of distinction, and the dates of their decease.

16. Monumental inscriptions: Tilney at Lincoln, and Fleetwood at Chalfont St. Giles; f. 117.

17. Notes from charters in possession of Samuel Roper, Esq., of Monks Kirby; f. 118 and 119.

18. Extracts from a chartulary of the priory of Merton in Surrey, in the Cottonian library; f. 120—123. This chartulary is still in the library, Cleop. C. VII.

19. Extract from the chartulary of Kirkstead; f. 124.

20. Two charters relating to Fountains, f. 125.

21. Extracts from the Leiger Book of Doddington, co. Hunt., in possession of Lord Brudenel; f. 126—129.

22. Copies of five charters of W. de Mandevile earl of Essex, Henry de Laci earl of Lincoln, and others, with trickings of seals; f. 130—132.

23. Charters in possession of Lord Brudenel and genealogical deductions from them; f. 134—139; f. 142—147.

24. "Ex libro censuali prioratûs de Belver subordinat' abbathiæ Sancti Albani;" f. 140 and 141. This curious fragment contains an account of the places of interment of the founder of the priory of Belvoir and of many of his descendants, and the names of many persons whose anniversaries were celebrated in the house.

25. A few charters of the Malvesins; f. 148 and 149.

26. A few notes from the Red Book of the Exchequer and other records touching Carew; f. 149 b.—151.

27. Extent of the manor of Sixill; f. 152 b.

—LVI.—

Collections from the FINE ROLLS at the Tower, through the whole reign of Henry III. Similar collections for a later period are in vol. LII.

—LVII.—

Collections from the INQUISITIONS at the Tower relating to the COUNTY OF DERBY, 33 Hen. III.—1 Ric. III.

—LVIII.—

Collections relating to the MANOR OF WAKEFIELD, made by a person who appears to have been an officer of the manor court in the reign of James I.

1. " Diversæ recognitiones et presentationes collectæ ex diversis rotulis curiarum dominii de Wakefelde, olim parcell' possessionum comitis Warren', postea parcell' ducatûs Ebor', et nuper annex' ducatui Lancastriæ in comitat' Ebor', ac parcell' inde existen'; breviter declarantes tenuras diversarum terrarum et maneriorum infra dominium predictum, et alia memoranda ejusdem dominii;" f. 1—8.

2. " Ex quodam antiquo rotulo manuscripto nonnullis in locis penitus muribus raso, ut putatur;" f. 9. Relating to the manor.

3. " Quædam acta memoranda de manerio de Clifton parcell' manerii de Wakefeld;" f. 9 b.

4. A few notes on the families of Thornhill, Savile, &c.; f. 10 and 11.

5. " Annotationes quædam collectæ a quodam antiquo libro manuscripto continen' annales Ro. de Leventhorpe armigeri, receptoris monasterii Sancti Oswaldi ante dissolutionem ejusdem, incipient' anno 21 E. Quarti, anno Domini 1481;" f. 12.

6. Excerpts, somewhat rudely made, from the court rolls of the manor of Wakefield, with occasional remarks and memoranda. Interspersed are various topographical and

genealogical particulars relating to that part of the county of York, with transcripts of documents occasionally introduced. A few things are added in Dodsworth's own hand. This extends to fol. 149.

This volume also contains,

A note of the Scrope lands, 1608.

Lists of knights made by King James I. in 1603.

Paper on the constable's and marshal's court.

Copies of two letters from Frances countess of Essex, addressed, the one to "Porter Foreman," whom she styles "father," the other to "Mrs. Turner," to whom she subscribes herself "your sister." They relate to her dealings with them respecting the Earl her husband; f. 158.

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8. " In cronologiâ abbathiæ de Stanlawe in com' Cestr', postea translat' ad Whalley in com' Lanc', [nuper in ædibus Arundelianis, 1647;" f. 133—139.

9. Notes from deeds in the custody of John Lightfoot, counsellor at law, in Gray's Inn; f. 149—152.

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4. Summons to the tenants of the honor of Pontefract, in the wapentake of Staincross, to be at Barnsley on the Monday next after the Ascension, 25 Edw. III.; f. 14.

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6. Extracts from the book of Witebi, in the custody of Sir Ric. Cholmley; f. 19 and 20.

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9. Inspeximus of a deed of confirmation of Ralph Paganel's gift to the church of St. Trinity at York; f. 29.

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12. Grants and gifts to the Duke of Buckingham, and persons of his kindred; f. 37 and 38.

13. Letter of King Charles I. to the dean and chapter

of York, dated 27th May, in the 9th of his reign, urging that the houses and stables which are new built adjoining the cathedral be taken down as speedily as may be, and certain stalls removed which had been erected in the choir for the wives of the dean and prebendaries and other women of quality. A second letter, dated at Edinburgh, 20th June 1633, directs that a stall for the wife of the Lord President be allowed to remain; f. 41.

14. Letter of the Lord Keeper and the Archbishop of York, dated 25th Nov. 1633, relating to the sitting of the Lord Mayor in the stall of the Archdeacon of York; f. 42 b.

15. "The examination of Edmund Robinson, son of Edmund Robinson of Pendle Forest, mason, taken at Padiham before Richard Shuttleworth and John Starkie, Esquires, two of his Majesty's justices of the peace within the county of Lancaster, 10th Nov. A.D. 1633;" f. 45—47. A case of witchcraft. The confession of Margaret Johnson follows. These are printed in the *History of Whalley* by Dr. Whitaker, p. 184.

16. "A trew declaration of the funeral of Queen Elizabeth, lately deceased;" f. 49.

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19. "A letter touching the death of the Queen of Scots, and her behaviour at the time;" f. 53. The letter has no signature, but the writer says he had his information, which is very minute and interesting, from the dean of Peterborough. The beginning,—"*I am assured, right worshipful, that you have before this*," &c.

20. "The proceedings against the Earl of Castlehaven;" f. 54.

21. Copy of a deed of Thomas Hoghton of Hoghton, dated in 19th Eliz.; f. 55.

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29. " A mournful elegy on the untimely death of that thrice worthy and learned knight Sir Roger Puleston of Emeral;" signed, Peter Leigh; f. 67.

30. " To my Lord Chancellor Bacon, the day of his sentence, the 3d of May 1621;" in verse; f. 70.

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32. Verses on the gunpowder treason by Peter Leigh; f. 72.

33. " An elegy on the death of Mr. Thomas Yate, son of Dr. Yate, chancellor to the Bishop of Chester," by Peter Leigh; f. 75.

34. " Querela ecclesiæ de Penwortham in com' Lancastriæ, per Johannem Richardson, Oxoniensem, in artibus magistrum, facta 23 Nov. 1634;" f. 76 and 77. A satire directed against Sir John Fleetwood, the patron.

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42. Extract from a book of Sir George Booth's, containing notices of the title of Sir Edmund Trafford and Sir Robert Booth to Nessington and some other towns in Richmondshire, and extracts from the Book of Dieulacres; f. 98 and 99.

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44. Inquisition p. m. of Elizabeth, who was the wife of Thomas Duke of Norfolk, 3 Hen. VI.; f. 106—111.

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46. " Articles of instructions gyven by the King's Majestie unto his commissioners appointed for the survei of the colleges, chauntries, free chapels, guilds, and fraternities within the county of York, the cytie of York, and the towne of Kyngston-upon-Hull ;" f. 115 and 116.

47. Slight notes and various memoranda from the patent rolls, the chartulary of St. James of Northampton, and other sources, relating to Wickham abbey, Pickering, and the families of Chaworth, Pigot, Sandwith, and Percy of Kildale; f. 113—130.

48. Inquisitions p. m. of Ralph de Nevile, 41 Edw. III., and Tho. Thweng, 48 Edw. III.; f. 131—135.

49. Grant of certain messuages in York, formerly belonging to chantries, 3 Edw. VI., by the King to Matthew White and Edward Bury; f. 138—148. A curious instrument.

50. Knights fees in Yorkshire, temp. Edw. I.; f. 151 b. —158.

51. Extracts from the registers of the Archbishops of York; f. 162—171; viz.

1. Relating to the irruption of the Scots, and damage done by them in Yorkshire, 1318 and 1319.
2. Relating to the chapel of the Virgin and All Angels at York.
3. A grant of John the constable of Chester to the church of York, 1178.
4. The order and rule of the hospital of Saint John of Nottingham.
5. Alteration of the time when the feast of the dedication of the church of Bishops-Wilton was wont, according to the original ordinance, to be celebrated, viz. 15 September, to the Sunday then next following, it falling in the midst of harvest. This by authority of Cardinal Kemp, Archbishop of York, Sep. 22, 1441.
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2. Two charters of Nevil of Hornby, and another charter lent to Dodsworth by Alexander Rigby of Burgh, in Lancashire, Esq.; f. 47 and 48.

3. Notes out of the chartularies of Kirkstall and Monk Bretton; f. 48 b.

4. Notes out of the chartulary of Fountains in St. Mary's Tower; f. 52.

5. Deeds of Everingham, from the originals in possession of Sir Gervas Cutler; f. 54 and 55.

6. Partition of the lands of Margaret, who was the wife of Thomas duke of Exeter, 11 Hen. VI.; f. 56.

7. Notes from the evidences of Sir Will. Constable; f. 61.

8. Notes from the evidences of John Girlington of Thurland Castle, co. Lanc., Esq.; f. 62—78.

9. Notes from the Swinburne evidences; f. 80—86.

10. Church notes at Blakeney in Lincolnshire, Sep. 22, 1640; f. 88.

11. Notes from the evidences of John Butler of Kirkland, co. Lanc.; f. 89 and 90.

12. "The petition of John lord bishop of Lincoln to his Majesty, 5° Feb. 1639;" f. 91.

13. "Lands belonging to the Earl of Northumberland, 5 Hen. VIII.;" f. 92.

—LXIII.—

Collections for the most part relating to Religious Foundations.

1. "Hic notatur qualiter Dominus Stephanus primus abbas ecclesiæ Beatæ Mariæ Ebor' primo habitavit apud Lastingham, et qualiter monasterium Beatæ Mariæ Ebor' postea ad instantiam sancti abbatis a Domino Alano Rufo comite Richmundiæ filio Eudonis comitis Britanniæ dotata fuit; et qualiter idem comes advocationem ejusdem ecclesiæ in manibus Regis Willielmi filii Conquestoris resignavit, ita quod ipse et heredes ejus scilicet Reges Angliæ defensores et advocati antedictæ ecclesiæ existerent in futurum;" f. 1—5.

2. "Incipit fundatio domûs Bellalandæ edita a Philippo abbate tertio domûs predictæ sicut ipse audierat a predecessore suo abbate Rogero et aliis senioribus hujus domûs;" with other extracts "ex chartulario abbathiæ de Bellalandâ pago Eboracensi;" f. 9—56.

3. Numerous extracts from a chartulary of Bellalanda or Biland, in possession of John Ryssheworth, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn, 1647; f. 58—77.

4. "Nomina quarundam abbathiarum ordinis Cisterciensis in Angliâ quarundam abbates adfuerunt apud London coram dñi Papæ legat', 1312;" f. 77 b.—78.

5. Bulls and charters relating to the houses of Catesby, Trentham, Alchester, Charter House in London, Ordbury; f. 78 b.—82.

6. Notes from a chartulary of the abbey of Acornbury in the Court of Augmentations; f. 83—89; f. 99.

7. Notes from a roll in the same repository relating to the abbey of Sherburn; f. 90—92.

8. Notes from divers charters in the Augmentation Office; f. 93—97.

9. Notes of the possessions of the house of St. Mary of Cormeilles; f. 98 and 99.

10. Transcripts or notes of various charters, several of which relate to religious houses; f. 101—113.

11. Partition of the inheritance of Humphry Bohun earl of Hereford between the king and the countess of Stafford, made 9 Hen. V., from a roll in possession of Sir Simonds D'Ewes; f. 114—121.

12. Notes from placita, temp. Hen. III.; f. 122.

13. Pedigrees of the Lords Hoo and the Carews, with monumental inscriptions at Beddington; f. 123 and 124.

14. Genealogies of Scrope, Huntercombe, Leigh of Rushall, Engaine, Carew, Lovel, Sandford, and Holand; f. 126—129.

15. Very brief notes from the pipe rolls of 8 Ric. I., 12, 22, and 33 Hen. II., 1 John, and 29 Edw. I.; f. 130—139.

16. A few slight memoranda out of Knighton and the Rolls; f. 140—142.

17. The Nomina villarum, 9 Edw. II., for the county of Kent; f. 143. See vol. XXVII. art. 6. and vol. LXV. art. 10.

18. Further notes out of pipe rolls and placita; f. 144—153.

19. Notes from Domesday, and book of tenures for Cheshire; f. 154 ad finem.

—LXIV.—

This Volume consists of Select Entries in the Escaet Rolls, French, Charter, Patent, Close, and Fine Rolls. They appear to have been selected as containing curious and important information, or as bearing on particular subjects of Dodsworth's inquiries.

Bound up in the midst of this volume is a table of the descent of Conyers from Fitz Ralph, and a letter thus intituled:—

"Ceste l're dame Julian Tresgoze manda a son frere St. Thomas de Cantelou evesq adonc de Hereford, de leur linage;" f. 87—90.

This very curious letter was written early in the reign of Edward I., and relates to the descent and alliances of the Cantilupes. There is another copy of it in Gibbon's Collections, in the Harleian library.

Vol. LXVII. is of the same character with this.

—LXV.—

Miscellaneous collections relating to Ecclesiastical Foundations and Knights Fees.

1. "Renovatio privilegiorum cartarum et aliorum munimentorum monasterii Divi Virginis Mariæ gloriosique Kenelmi [Regis] et Martyris de Winchelcumbe, labore, studio, atque industriâ domini Richardi Kederemister in eodem loco tunc abbatis recognita atque collecta, a primâ fundatione ejusdem loci initium ducendo; prout de libris, codicellis, et aliis scriptis de antiquitatibus, privilegiis, et dotatione prefati monasterii usque ad tempora nostra recolligi atque transcribi potuerunt, feliciter incipit anno ab Christi Incarnatione M.D.XX.III.," &c.; f. 1—4.

2. An alphabetical list of churches in the county of Warwick, with the names of the patrons and incumbents, taken from the presentations themselves under seal in the archives of the dean and chapter of Lichfield, by Sir Will. Dugdale; f. 7—20.

3. Excerpts from the register of the priory of Coventry, in the custody of the King's Remembrancer of the Exchequer; f. 21—29.

4. Copies of charters relating to the nuns of St. Mary of Eton, from a roll in possession of the dean and chapter of Lichfield; f. 31—33.

5. Copies of charters to the church of the Holy Sepulchre at Warwick, from the originals in possession of Sir Simon Archer; f. 33 b—36.

6. Foundation of the nunnery of Polesworth, from an ancient manuscript in the hands of Lady Anne Ferrers of Tamworth; f. 37—51. "*In the wold tyme the londs of England was departyd abowt in mony kings,*" &c. To this are added copies of many of their charters.

7. Collections for a catalogue of sheriffs of Northumberland; f. 56.

8. "Feoda dñi Regis, tam de honore de Peverel quam de honore de Haghenet et de honore de Pertico, in libro feodorum remanente in Scaccario dñi Regis ex parte Rememoratoris ejusdem dñi Regis, inter feoda comitatûs Kanciæ;" f. 63—66.

9. "Transcripta onerationum releviorum de temporibus diversorum regum extract' de rotulis Scaccarii dñi Regis pro informatione in parte habendâ super levatione auxilii ad primogenitum filium Regis E. III. militem faciendum et aliorum;" f. 66 b.—68.

10. "Nomina villarum in com' Canciæ, anno 9° Edw. II[i]." f. 68 b.—70. See vol. LXIII. art. 17.

11. "Transcriptum particul' compoti collectorum auxilii xl. š. de quolibet feodo militis, Regi E. Tertio concessi ad primogenitum filium suum militem faciendum in com' Kanciæ, anno regni sui xx^mo., penes Scaccarium domini Regis reman', examinat' per Johannem de Helwolding de com' Kanc' et Johannem Castre de com' Lincoln';" f. 71—101.

12. "In quodam rotulo de . . . . serviciorum domini Regis Angliæ capt' apud Twedemouthe coram domino Bartholomeo de Badlesmere locum tenente constabularii

et domino Nicholao de Segrave marescallo exercitûs domini Regis, die Jovis prox. post festum Nat' B'e Mariæ anno r. r. Edwardi quarto;" f. 101.

13. "In rotulo de finibus pro servic' in diversis exercitibus Regis in exercitu Scotiæ de anno xxxiiii^to. Regis Edw. fil' Hen.;" f. 101 b. and 102.

—LXVI.—

Miscellaneous collections, much of which relates to the County of Lincoln, and to Monastic Foundations.

1. Transcripts of a large collection of the evidences of the Pedwardines, the ancestors of Richard Townley of Nocton Park in Lincolnshire, and of Townley in Lancashire; f. 1—68.

2. "The genealogy of Boby, vulgo Botheby, and Paynel, collected out of the evidences of Botheby-Paynel in com' Lincoln', by Robert Saunderson, B.D., rector there, 1632;" f. 69—75.

3. Slight notes from inquisitions in the Exchequer for the reigns of Richard II., Henry IV., V., and VI.; f. 79—82.

4. "Feoda militum in com' Lincoln' in libro in Scaccario ex parte Fanshawe, anno 6 Hen. VI.;" f. 83.

5. Transcripts of charters from the chartularies of Langeden in Kent and of Godstow in Oxfordshire, in the custody of the King's Remembrancer; f. 84 and 85.

6. Notes out of the Testa de Nevil; f. 86—90.

7. Names of a few persons whose offices, or inquisitions, are to be found in the duchy of Lancaster; f. 93.

8. Slight notes of deeds of Harrington; f. 94.

9. Transcripts of charters in the book of the college of St. Mary of Warwick; f. 95 and 96; f. 113 and 114.

10. Slight memoranda from records in the office of the duchy of Lancaster; f. 98—100.

11. Transcripts of charters from the chartulary of Torre, in the Exchequer; f. 101.

12. Inquisitions of vills in Warwickshire, 7 Edw. I., from a book in the Exchequer; f. 105—110.

13. Extracts from the chartulary of Dieulecresse, in possession of Benjamin Rudiard, Gent.; f. 111—113.

14. Extracts from the chartulary of South Creyke in Norfolk; f. 115—119.

15. Extracts from the chartulary of Middleton, in custody of the King's Remembrancer in the Exchequer; f. 121 and 122.

16. Notes from transcripts out of the Red Book, in the office of the duchy of Lancaster; f. 123.

17. Notes from the chartulary of Ramsey, in the custody of the King's Remembrancer; f. 124.

18. Notes from the chartulary of Furnes, in possession of auditor Bullock; f. 124 b.

19. Charters, for the most part foundation, of the houses of Nethe, Brewton, Neweham, Battel, Bermundsey, St. Benedict at Hulm, Llanthony, Bocland, and St. Mary of Coventry; f. 129—139.

A memorandum at fol. 97 states, that "Collett hath the Chartæ Antiquæ to a word transcribed."

—LXVII.—

A volume of the same character with vol. LXIV., consisting of the same irregular selections of transcripts and notes from the Rolls at the Tower. Some of the rolls from which the transcripts are made are specified in the catalogue of 1697.

Bound up with them are,

1. A leaf of notes from a register of the lands of Henry Earl of Lancaster, in the office of the duchy of Lancaster; f. 56.

2. A leaf of notes out of a chartulary of the abbey of Malmesbury, in the Exchequer; f. 93.

3. Charter from a chartulary of Belvoir; f. 201 and 203.

4. Extracts from a chartulary of Castle Acre; f. 208.

—LXVIII.—

Miscellaneous Collections.

1. Extracts of charters from a valuable manuscript called Sir Christopher Hatton's Book of Seals; f. 1—8; f. 92—95. Among these are three charters of King Henry II.; viz. 1. Ratifying a covenant between Geldewine, son of Savaric, and Savaric his brother. 2. To Thomas son of Robert son of Noel. 3. Granting to John son of John the Marshall his office, and all tenements which he bought, to hold of me, on this side the sea or beyond.

2. Extracts from miscellaneous collections made by Robert Glover, Somerset herald; f. 9—27. These are chiefly from charters, including some in a chartulary of Blythe, others in possession of Robert Lisle of Gosford, Francis Slingsby of Scriven, and Thomas Fairfax of Denton.

3. Notes from Mr. Cowper's transcripts of Glover's visitation of Yorkshire; f. 33 and f. 36 b.—40.

4. Foundation of the abbey of Faurwell, from an original in the registry of the dean and chapter of Lichfield; f. 35.

5. Short notes from the Historia Rameseiensis, in possession of Sir Henry Spelman; f. 41.

6. Notes from evidences of Strangwaies and Roos of Laxton; f. 42—46.

7. Knights fees in Lincolnshire, 12 and 13 Henry II.; f. 46.

8. Abstracts of a few fines in the time of Henry III.; f. 47.

9. Notice of a confirmation of Richard I. to the canons of St. Mary of Thornton; f. 48.

10. Indenture between King Edward III. and John King of Castile and Leon, his son, dated 25th June in the 46th of his reign, respecting the exchange of the earldom of Richmond for the honor of Tickhill, &c.; f. 49.

11. Notes from the charters of Thomas Danby of South Cave, Esq.; f. 52 and 53.

12. A few transcripts from the Chartæ Antiquæ, A.—KK.; f. 57—72.

13. Rough notes from the Gascon, French, Scotch, and Welsh Rolls at the Tower; f. 73—86.

14. Slight notes from records touching the family of Heyrun; f. 89 and 90.

15. Will of Agnes de Cundy, wife of Walter de Clifford; f. 91.

16. Slight notes from the fine, charter, and close rolls; f. 99—114.

17. Notes from a chartulary in possession of —— Dudley of Clopton in Northamptonshire; f. 102.

18. Notes from a chartulary compiled for Sir Robert Waterton of Methley in Yorkshire, in the time of King Henry IV.; f. 115.

19. Grant from Henry II. to the canons of Grimsby; f. 116.

20. Charters from the old ledger book of Bardney; f. 117—121.

21. A few notes from the book of the ordination of chantries in the diocese of Lincoln, and from other registers of that see; f. 123—126.

—LXIX.—

"Transcriptum Historiæ Abbathiæ de Melsa in com' Ebor', examinatum, 1635, per Rogerum Dodsworth."

—LXX.—

A large and valuable collection of the Evidences of the Viponts and Cliffords, made by Dodsworth from the originals, together with copious extracts from "Mr. Curwen's Book of Offices in Westmorland," in which are copies of some of the most important inquisitions relating to lands in that county; f. 1—150.

In the same volume are,

Notes from the evidences of Sir Richard Hoghton of Hoghton Tower, Bart.; f. 152—160.

Notes from the evidences of —— Calvert of Cokerham, co. Lanc., Esq.; f. 161.

And at the end of the volume are a few other notes of Clifford evidences.

Several of the charters in this volume have an historical importance, besides being the basis of nearly all the authentic information we possess of the descent of this great house, and of the history of the manors and lands possessed by them. See more in vol. LXXIV and LXXXIII.

—LXXI.—

Miscellaneous Collections.

1. Charters belonging to the house of the Holy Trinity of Motesfunt; f. 1—8.

2. Extracts from "A leiger book containing the evidences of Sir Arnold Savage of Bobbingcourt near Sittingbourn in Kent, by whose heirs general it came to the Cliffords;" f. 9—16.

3. Extract from the patent roll 4 Edw. II. p. 1. m. 6., concerning the gift of the Isle of Man to Henry de Beaumont; and from the close roll 16 Edw. II. m. 5., *in dorso*, of the committal of Henry de Beaumont to prison; f. 17.

4. The Nomina Villarum for the county of Rutland; f. 18 b. and 19. See vol. XXVII. art. 6.

5. Another writ from the Patent Roll, 5 Edw. II. m. 3., respecting Henry de Beaumont and the kingdom of Man; f. 20.

6. "Notes taken in the Tower of London by Sir Wyngfeld Bodenham;" f. 21—24. These are slight memoranda from the various rolls there.

7. A collection of charters, chiefly of the early baronage, transcribed at large; f. 25—38.

8. Notes from records relating to the family of Clifford; f. 47—57; f. 64.

9. Slight memoranda from the fine rolls, originalia, and escaets; f. 57—63.

10. Inspeximus of a final concord concerning the manor of Den in Northamptonshire; f. 66—68.

11. Copy of an indenture of lease from the abbot of St. Edmund's Bury to John Wright, glazier, and John Anable, pewterer, of Bury, of the manor of Haberdon, belonging to the office of sacrist in the said monastery, with four acres in the vynefeld, for twenty years, at the rent of 5*l.* 4*s.*, to the sacrist; the tenants binding themselves also to find a white bull every year of their term, as often as it shall happen that any gentlewoman or any other woman shall, out of devotion, visit the shrine of the glorious king and martyr Saint Edmund, and wish to make the oblation of a white bull. The date, April 28, 1533. Taken from the original in the custody of John Rushworth, Esq.; f. 72.

12. Foundation charter of the abbey of Quarrera; f. 73 and 74.

13. Copy of a charter of Peter de Bruse; f. 77.

14. A single leaf taken out of a book which contained fairly written abstracts of wills of persons of the county of Kent, 1407—1435; f. 81.

15. Writ on the close roll, 22 Edw. III., p. 1., concerning the abbey de Bello Becco in Ireland; f. 82.

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16. Descent of Bassingbourn; f. 102.

17. Partition of the inheritance of George de Cantilupe; f. 103.

18. Fragments of genealogies, which appear to be taken out of the collections of Thomas Lord Brudenel; f. 104—107.

19. Descent of the Ashleys, from the information of one of the family, in 1648; f. 108.

20. Notes from the leiger book of Peterborough in the Cottonian library; f. 109. Several of the Peterborough books are still in that library.

21. Notes from placita in the reign of Henry III.; f. 110—115.

22. A list of records which had been transcribed verbatim from originals in the Tower by Will. Riley; f. 116—122.

23. Titles of a few patent writs of the reign of Henry III.; f. 123—128.

—LXXII.—

Collections chiefly out of Exchequer Records for the County of York.

1. Out of the originalia of the reigns of Henry III. and Edward I.; f. 1—7. Edward II.; f. 23 b.—27. Edward III.; f. 35 b.—36. Richard II.; f. 85—90.

2. Out of the escaets of the reigns of Henry III. and Edward II.; f. 10—23. Edward III.; f. 47—84. Richard II. and Henry IV.; f. 104—120.

3. The part which relates to the county of York, of a book in the Exchequer, intitled "Rationale auxilium anno xx. E. III. ad primogenitum filium militem faciendum:" f. 27—35.

4. Collections out of the fine rolls, temp. Ric. II.; f. 91—103.

5. A few hasty notes out of the communia of the Exchequer, Trin. term, 19 James, rot. 64, and other documents there; f. 121—125.

6. A few hasty notes of charters and inquisitions; f. 126—128.

—LXXIII.—

A volume of Final Concords of lands in the county of York, similar to that now numbered I., but relating to an earlier period.

The fines of the reign of John are in regular series from the 1st to the 15th year; f. 37—125. The earlier pages of the volume contain placita and essonia intermixed with the fines, and are of several northern counties, and of the reigns of Richard I. and John.

In the same volume are,

A charter of William Maltravers, from the chartulary of Pontefract; f. 128 b.

Extracts from the pipe rolls of several years of the reign of Henry II.; f. 129—152. Extracts are given from the roll, here said to be of 1 Henry II., afterwards supposed to be of 5 Stephen, and now of 31 Henry I. The extracts are not all in Dodsworth's own hand, and are less numerous than those made in his great body of transcripts from these rolls, vol. XII—XVII.

—LXXIV.—

Another volume of collections out of the Evidences of the Cliffords and the Percys. See vol. LXX. and vol. LXXXIII.

1. Large extracts from a chartulary of the Percys; f. 1—110. Dodsworth supposed that this chartulary had been improperly obtained by one who had been a feodary to the Earl of Northumberland. He speaks of it as having once belonged to Henry Clifford Earl of Cumberland; but when he perused it he found it in the possession of Charles Fairfax of Menston, Esq., who had purchased it for a small sum of money. It is occasionally quoted as belonging to Fairfax in the margin of Dugdale's Baronage.

The contents of this chartulary are important, so that it may be proper to specify particularly some of the more remarkable charters contained in it.

1. Charter of King Henry II., by which he grants to Will. de Vesci all the lands of Eustace fitz John, his father, and the castle of Alnewick, heretofore belonging to John de Vesci, his grandfather; f. 26.
2. Charter of King Stephen, that he had granted to Gospatrick, the brother of Dolphin, the lands of Edmund his uncle, which he held of King Henry, &c.; f. 28 b.
3. Edward King of Scotland, 29 July, in the first of his reign; that he had granted to Henry de Perci the peel of Loghmaben, the valley of Anandie and Mossetdale, &c.; f. 30.

4. " Carta Roberti Regis Scotiæ de libertatibus de Bervico;" f. 59.
5. Charters of " Joscelinus frater Adeliciæ Reginæ," by which he grants Hesseta and Hamelduna to his daughters Alianor and Aelicia; and of Henry II., confirming the grant; f. 67.
6. Charter of Henry Duke of Normandy and Acquitaine, and Earl of Anjou, confirming to Josceline the brother of Queen Adelicia the honor of Petteworth, to hold as Will. Earl of Arundel and Queen Adelicia held it; f. 67.
7. Charter of King Edward I. respecting an exchange with the abbey of Meaux of the manor of Pocklington, &c. for the town of Wyk upon Hull and the grange of Miton; dated 3d Oct. 22 Edw. I.; f. 91.

2. Evidences of the Cliffords, of great interest and value, transcribed at large; f. 113—120.

3. " Rotulus antiquarum tenurarum in wapentagio de Pickering et in quibusdam villis adjacentibus," temp. Edw. I.; f. 121—126.

4. " Divisæ baroniæ de Brompton in Pikrynglith;" f. 127—144.

5. Church notes made at Londsborough 6th August 1646, when Dodsworth was there examining that part of the Clifford evidences which came into the possession of the Earl of Cork; f. 145.

6. Charters of the Askes of Ousthorpe in Yorkshire, transcribed at large; f. 146—151.

7. Act of parliament for restoring Henry Lord Clifford eldest son of John Lord Clifford, 1 Hen. VII.; f. 152.

8. Wills of,
   1. Richard Beaumont of the parish of Heton, 1531.
   2. Catherine Countess of Northumberland, 1542.
   3. Christopher Aske, Esq., 1538.
   4. Sir Robert Nevile of Lyversedge, Knight, 1542.
   5. Sir John Rocliffe of Colthorpe, Knight, 1531; f. 153—160.

These wills appear to have been transcribed on account of the curious particulars contained in them.

9. A few charters to Jorevall abbey; f. 161.

—LXXV.—

MISCELLANEOUS RECORD and CHARTER COLLECTIONS.

1. Transcript from the Norman Roll, 8 Hen. V. p. 2. m. 29, de pace finali et perpetuâ inter Fran' et Angl' regna; f. 1—9.

2. A treatise on the dignity of a baron; f. 11—14. "*The name of baron, as some conceive,*" &c.

3. Foundation charter of the house of St. Trinity at York; f. 17.

4. Records relating to the foundations at St. Neots and Levenestre; f. 18—20.

5. Extracts from a chartulary of Nun Coton in the diocese of Lincoln, in possession of Sir Dudley North; f. 21 and 22; f. 29—34.

6. Extracts from a chartulary of Lekeburn in Lincolnshire, in possession of Sir George Heneage; f. 23—27.

7. Notes from Exchequer records touching various religious foundations; viz. Chickford, Catteley, Haverholm, Folkston, Stoke Cursy; f. 35—40.

8. Return of John de Trilanton, sheriff of Lincolnshire, of persons who have lands in his bailywick of the value of 100 shillings or more; f. 41—46.

9. Grant by Matthew de Gurnai, from the book of Castle Acre; f. 47.

10. Two charters and a portion of Domesday Book relating to Lincolnshire; f. 48—52.

11. Notes of Engaine from the evidences of Lord Vaux, made in 1620 by Augustine Vincent, with other genealogical notes by him, communicated to Dodsworth by Vincent's son, John Vincent, in 1649, when there was a design of a union between him and Dodsworth in a

baronage of England, such as was afterwards executed by Sir Will. Dugdale, but not including the dukes, marquises, earls, and viscounts. John Vincent's letter is dated from Uffington, 27th March 1649; f. 53—60.

12. Notes from the evidences of Sir Will. Palmer, chiefly relating to Lodbroke, made at his house at Clerkenwell in 1649; f. 62—67.

13. Notices of charters relating to Cheshire and to the family of Handlo; f. 67—72.

14. Notes from " Cardinal Wolsey's bundells, in the Rolls;" f. 73 and 74; relate to religious houses.

15. Collections out of the rolls at the Tower respecting forests and chaces; f. 75—77.

16. Abstracts of a few charters of the Neviles; f. 80.

17. Notes from the escaets respecting Roos; f. 81—84.

18. Two charters of the De la Hay lands; f. 86.

19. A few charters, some or all of which are from a register of the abbey of Peterborough, in possession of Sir Christopher Hatton; f. 87—90.

20. Notes from the escaets, 4—15 Ric. II.; f. 92—103.

21. Inquisition p. m. of Thomas Lord Despenser, 2 Hen. V.; f. 104—109.

22. Notes of writs on the close rolls, 19 Hen. III.; f. 110—120.

23. Inquisitions in the county of Suffolk, 4—6 Edw. II.; f. 121—132.

24. Notes from the patent and close rolls relating to the defence of the realm in the reign of Edward III.; f. 133—144.

25. Writ from the patent roll, 49 Hen. VI., pro mercatoribus Colon'; f. 145—150.

26. Farther notes from the patent roll of that year; f. 151—153.

27. Rough notes from the patent and close rolls, and from the escaets, chiefly of the reigns of Edward III. and Edward IV.; f. 156—181.

28. Slight pedigree of Busli; f. 182—187.

29. Descent and evidences of Butvillaine of Cotesbrook; f. 188.

30. A few hasty memoranda from records, and from the books of the Heralds; f. 189—191.

Among the patent writs of the 49 Hen. VI., which is the year of his resumption of the sovereignty, is one on the first membrane of the roll, by which he constitutes William Moreland keeper of the rolls, books, and records of the Chancery of England, and grants him for his residence the Domus Conversorum; f. 151.

—LXXVI.—

This volume consists of ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS from which the seals have been removed. They are of all reigns from Henry II. to Henry VIII. Some are monastic. There are a few Papal Bulls and Royal Writs, and many of the rest are documents of interest.

One hundred of them, which is nearly the whole, are specifically named in the former catalogue, the description filling three columns.

Folios 55—64 are nine leaves of an original chartulary of the abbey of St. Mary of York, in 4to., of about the reign of King Edward III.

—LXXVII.—

[There is no volume under this number.]

—LXXVIII.—

Collections made by Dodsworth from manuscripts in the COTTONIAN LIBRARY, as appears by the following memorandum in his own hand:—

" Iste liber totus transcribitur ex authenticis in

Bibliotheca Cottoniana, Term. Mich. 1639, per me Rogerum Dodsworth."

1. The foundation charter of the abbey of Sturminster; f. 1.

2. The charter of King Edgar to the abbey of Persor; f. 2.

3. Extracts from the book of St. Albans; f. 1 b. and f. 4.

4. Extracts from the chartularies of Eynesham, Twinham, and Bermundsey; f. 13—29.

5. Extract from the Historia Eliensis; f. 29 b.

6. "De fundatione abbathiæ de Theokesburiâ;" f. 30 and 31.

7. "Wigorniæ monasterium;" f. 32.

8. "Carta Regis Offæ de fundatione abbathiæ de Breodum;" f. 33.

9. Extracts from the chartulary of Clerkenwell; f. 37—40.

10. Extracts relating to the priory of Shene from the manuscript Otho, B. xiv.; f. 41. This manuscript was long missing from the library; but in the year 1787 it was met with at Mr. Egerton's the bookseller, and purchased by the trustees of the British Museum. A doubt is expressed in the catalogue of the Cottonian Manuscripts, published in 1802 by the Commissioners on the Public Records (p. 365), whether the manuscript thus recovered were really the Otho, B. xiv., and not the Otho, B. i., which is also wanting. These extracts of Dodsworth's show that the manuscript is really that which originally bore the number under which it now stands.

11. Extracts from the chronicle of the house of Hagnabi in co. Linc.; f. 42. See Vesp. B. xi.

12. Extracts from a chartulary of the abbey of Berlings; f. 42 b.

13. Notes from the annals bound up with it, and of the canonization of Malachi abbot of Clervaux by Pope Clement, and of Saint Bernard the founder by Pope Alexander; f. 47 and 48.

14. Charter of King Ina from the book of Abendon, Claud. C. IX.; f. 53.

15. Extracts from the chronicle of the abbey of Charteris in the county of Cambridge, Julius, A. I.; f. 54, 55.

16. Extracts from the chartulary of Chertsey, Vitell. A. XIII.; f. 56 and 57.

17. Copy of a charter of Wiglaf king of the Mercians; f. 59.

18. Extracts from a register of charters of the abbey of St. Albans; f. 60—62.

19. Extracts from Nero, D. x. of the division of the lands of Roger Quinci Earl of Winchester; f. 63—66.

20. Extracts from Claudius, D. I.; f. 67.

21. Extracts from the register of St. Albans, relating to the abbey and its cells; f. 68—104.

22. Catalogue of the Masters of the Templars in England from Galfridus fil. Stephani, in 1180, to Ricardus Hastings in the reign of Edward I., from a chartulary of the priory of St. John of Jerusalem; f. 106.

23. Charter of King Canute from the book of St. Benedict at Holme; f. 107.

24. Extracts from the book of Waltham abbey; f. 107 b.—115.

25. Extract from a life of King Richard II. by a monk of Evesham, bound up with a chartulary of Waltham; f. 115 b.

26. Extracts from the chartulary of Christ Church; f. 116.

27. Extracts from the book of Beaulieu, Vitell. F. I.; f. 116 b.—119., which manuscript is now wanting; Nero, A. XII., is a register of the same house.

28. Extracts from the chartulary of Oseney; f. 117 b.

29. " In cronicis de Crokesden;" f. 120 and 121.

30. Extracts from the chronicle of St. Peter of Gloucester; f. 124—130.

31. Extracts from the book of St. Albans, Nero, D. VII.; f. 131—133.

32. Extracts from the register of the hospital of St. John, Clerkenwell; f. 132 b.—134.

—LXXIX.—

A volume of GENEALOGIES, with many documents and other scripts, at the beginning, end, and interspersed, of which notice will be taken hereafter.

The genealogies are for the most part of Dodsworth's own compilation. They are rudely drawn, as his manner was, but the lines may be traced with a little attention, and they are valuable as containing the results of his consideration of the evidence he had collected. In some instances pieces of evidence are transcribed on the page which contains the pedigrees; but more frequently there is only a reference to the volume of his collections in which the evidence may be found. The names of the families follow:—

Lardiner—Bustard—Morisby—Bollby—Hotham—Pigot—Scarisbruck—Ogle—Percyhay—Calvert of Cockerham—Vavasor—Brocket—Travers—Multon—Fitton—Metham—Vere—Goldsborough—Calverley—Middleton—Clarel—Arthington—Arundel—Poynings—Peverel—Hertforth—Dodsworth—Heywood of Heywood in Lancashire—Lovetot—Latimer—Paynel—Mauley—Bigot—Gant—Sutton—Strangways—Salvin—Sutton of Dudley—Falconbergh—Porte—Holcroft—Hotham again—Butler—Verdon—De la Riviere—Bisset—Fitz Warine—Cantilupe—Babthorpe—Plumpton—Sotehill—Clapham—Maleverer—Sotehill again—Atherton—Lucy—Paynel—Everingham—Tunstal—Wortley—Rockley—Eland—Savile—Thornhill—Maleverer and Plumpton again—Nevile—Hammerton—Rither—Percy—Tempest—Chisenhall—Sherburn—Fitz Warine again—Lowdham—Foljambe—Cateral—Redman—Pantulf—Holland—Darcy—Bosvile—Osbaldeston—Balderston—Banastre—Singleton—

Molyneux — Nuthill — Sutton — Ayscough — Middleton again—Bosvile and Nevile again — Pedwardine — Deyncourt —Burgh—and Fitz William.

Of the other things contained in this volume the more remarkable are these which follow :—

1. Charters of the church of St. Andrew of Northampton ; f. 9—12.

2. Charter from a roll of the honor of Cockermouth, in possession of the Earl of Northumberland ; f. 13.

3. " A note of the towns that are to contribute to the raising and maintaining of 20 ships and 4,590 men in England and Wales, 1635 ;" f. 35.

4. A few notes from the records in the office of the duchy of Lancaster, D. GG. and HH. ; f. 53.

5. " Rentale de Hunmanby, 18 Hen. VII. ;" f. 77.

6. Extracts from a roll of those holding by knight-service, 1 Hen. IV. ; f. 137.

7. Letter from John Langley, dated Trentham 2d Oct. 1639, to Dodsworth at Hutton Grange near Preston, inclosing copy of the foundation charter of Haghmore abbey in Shropshire ; f. 142.

8. An old copy of the will of William Clifton, Esq., 1536 ; f. 150.

9. An old copy of the will of John Hopton of Armley in Yorkshire, 1476 ; f. 156.

10. An original lease of chantry lands at Barnsley granted by Sir James Harrington and Nicholas Wortley Esq. to Edmund Brockhale of that town, 9 Edw. IV. ; f. 157 b.

11. A poem on the death of George Duke of Buckingham ; f. 158.

12. A poem on Thomas Earl of Strafford ; f. 160 and 162.

13. A poem on the death of Mrs. Catherine Werden, daughter of Mr. John Werden of Chester ; f. 161.

14. " To my dear and great master Prince Charles ;" f. 165. ; in verse.

15. " My Happy Man ;" f. 166 ; in verse.

16. "Alderman Wyseacre's speech upon that discrete petition against bishops," &c.; f. 169; in verse.

17. Latin verses in compliment to Bridget Croke; f. 168.

18. "Francis Seimer, his speech in parliament, 22d March 1627;" f. 170.

19. A letter of news from the expedition to the Isle of Rhee, with list of officers killed and wounded, dated from the camp at St. Martin's, 18th July 1627, and signed Fran. Vernon, addressed to Dodsworth at Hutton Grange.

—LXXX.—

This volume contains a large and confused collection of notes from many of the various classes of Rolls at the Tower, particularly the Patent, Close, Charter, and Fine Rolls, and the Inquisitions or Escaets. They are all from rolls between the reigns of John and Richard II., those two inclusive.

In the same volume are,

1. Petition of Joan who was the wife of Esmon de Passele, from the petitions in parliament, 4 Edw. III.

2. Notes from the chartulary of Pershore in the Augmentation Office; f. 333.

3. Notes from the extracta finium, the memoranda, and originalia, in the Exchequer; f. 337—344; f. 353—358.

4. Notes from charters in the custody of Laurence Burton of Horton in Ribblesdale; f. 359.

5. Slight pedigree of Pembrigg and Trussel, from Lord Brudenel's collections; f. 385.

—LXXXI.—

A volume of Peers Pedigrees.

These pedigrees are not compiled by Dodsworth, and are mere pedigrees, without the references to evidence from which Dodsworth's own genealogical tables derive their

importance. A few notes in Dodsworth's own hand are occasionally interspersed, as, for instance, at the pedigree of the Earls of Lincoln.—"Let this pedigree of Gaunt be better examined, for it is false in many places; ita testor Roger Dodsworth, 13 Mar. 1637." It seems, therefore, unnecessary to specify the particular families whose descents are here to be found, and especially as manuscripts such as this are of very frequent occurrence.

In the same volume are various pedigrees of Yorkshire families drawn up in the same manner, some of which appear to have been the work of Archer, from whose collections we shall find that Dodsworth copied other descents. A few of these may deserve to be pointed out as being compiled with more of critical care than the rest; viz.

Paganel; f. 140.—Fauconberg; f. 142.—Barton; f. 150.—Ward of Salley and the coheirs; f. 153.—Stapleton; f. 194.—Drax; f. 200.

A large list of the families whose pedigrees are in this volume may be found in the old catalogue.

—LXXXII.—

Miscellaneous Collections.

1. Rough notes from Tower and Exchequer records; f. 1—8; f. 10; f. 17—29; f. 66—89. At f. 20 is a survey of the lands of Henry Earl of Cumberland.

2. A few notes respecting Peterborough from the 1st vol. of Leland's Collectanea; f. 8.

3. Extracts from an antient book in possession of Sir Tho. Metham respecting Carlton; f. 11.

4. Descents of Beauchamp, Mauley, Bigot, Nevile, Holland, Cotton, Doyley, and Langford; f. 12—15.

5. Notes from the evidences of Sir Will. Catesby; f. 16.

6. Extracts from an ancient manuscript containing the charters of Herleston in Northamptonshire, in possession of Sir Christopher Hatton; f. 34—36.

7. Descent of Port of Etwall; f. 37.

8. Collections for the history of the family of Vernon; f. 41 b.—43.

9. Extracts from Saint Loe Kniveton's book of church notes for Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire; f. 43 b.—44, and 46—59.

10. Extracts from the register book of the abbey of Darley; f. 45.

11. Extracts from Mr. Gascoign's book of pedigrees; viz. Basset, Grey, Pigot; f. 59—64.

12. Charters relating to the county of Chester, transcribed from the collections of John Booth of Twemlow, Esq.; f. 90—120.

13. Inquisition p. m. of Gilbert Roos of Laxton, Esq., 29th Sep. 12 Car. 1.

14. Final concord, 5 Edw. III., between John son of Peter de Hothum and John de Hothum Bishop of Ely, concerning the manor of Hothum, &c.; f. 125.

15. Agreement between the prior of Bolton and the abbot of Kirkstall concerning the moors of Rawden and Horsford; f. 127.

—LXXXIII.—

" This book contains transcripts of deeds remaining in SKIPTON CASTLE in com. Ebor', 1646."

It is a third volume of transcripts of CLIFFORD EVIDENCES, like the two preceding, vol. LXX. and LXXIV., and like them containing much valuable matter, both relating to the Cliffords and to other families whose estates lay contiguous to theirs, or who were their sub-infeudatories.

—LXXXIV.—

" Abbreviationes ROTULORUM FINIUM tempore E. III. in Turri London' reservat', per ROGERUM DODSWORTH, terminis Paschæ et Sc̃æ Trinitatis, 1650."

The fine rolls here abridged are, 1—44 Edw. III.

—LXXXV.—

Miscellaneous Collections.

1. Extracts from the chartulary of the abbey of Thorney, in possession of the Earl of Westmorland; f. 1—10; f. 17.

2. Extracts from the chartulary of the priory of Finched in the custody of Robert Kirkham, Esq.; f. 11—14; f. 32.

3. An inspeximus by King Henry II. of a charter of Earl Leofric's concerning Coventry, dated in 1043; from the original in the custody of Sir Christopher Hatton; f. 34.

4. Large transcripts from two books at Belvoir, concerning the lands of the lords of that place, and concerning the religious houses with which they were connected; viz. Kirkham, Rievaulx, Wardon, Blakeney, Penteney, Wartre, Novus Locus juxta Stamford, and Stikeswold; f. 36—61.

5. Extracts from a chartulary and chronicle of Croxton at Belvoir; f. 62—71.

6. Extracts from a chartulary of Rievaulx at Belvoir; f. 71 b. and 72.

7. Extracts from the collections of John Layer, Esq. f. 75—92. These consist for the most part of notes from the inquisitions, with a few genealogical deductions.

8. Pedigree of De la Hay; f. 93.

9. Slight notes from the Close Rolls of Edward III.; f. 97.

10. Notes from Sir Christopher Hatton's book of heirs; f. 98.

11. Notes from the evidences of —— Cator of Papworth co. Cantab', Esq.; f. 99.

12. Slight notes from records at the Tower; f. 100.

13. Notes, more carefully made and in chronological order, from the Close Rolls, 4—50 Edw. III.; f. 102—142; and from those of 9 Ric. II. to 14 Hen. IV.; f. 145—168.

—LXXXVI.—

A volume relating chiefly to the CHURCH OF PETERBOROUGH and the COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON.

1. Extracts from the registers of the abbots of Peterborough, beginning with abbot William; f. 1—105. Some of the more remarkable articles among these extracts are the following —

1. " Le ℔re le roigne P℔e pour sun ꝑke de Rokingham;" f. 21.
2. " Response a mesme le ℔re;" f. 21 b.
3. " Quædam petitio scolarum de Stamford';" f. 22.
4. " De primis abbathiæ de Burgo Sancti Petri fundatoribus, et de quibusdam abbatibus post conquestum Will. Nothi;" f. 33 b. " *Preterfluit etiam juxta monasterium amnis,*" *&c.*
5. " Status totius abbathiæ," in the third year of abbot William; f. 37 b.
6. " Homagia diversa facta regibus Angliæ per reges Scotiæ;" f. 40—46.
7. " Litteræ submissionis magistri Hugonis de Sancto Martino de custodiâ hospitalis Sancti Thomæ Staunford;" f. 47.
8. " Hydarum [hydarium] de comitatu Northampton;" f. 54—65.
9. " Taxatio bonorum spiritualium et temporalium abbatis et conventûs de Burgo Sancti Petri;" f. 71 and 72.
10. " Taxationes ecclesiarum pensionum et portionum personarum ecclesiarum in archidiaconatibus Oxon', Bukingham, Bedford, Huntindon, et Northampton, preter decanatus Roteland, per Radulphum et Ricardum de Morton [et] de Gilling ecclesiarum rectores, sub reverendis patribus dñis O. Dei gratiâ Lyncoln' et J. Wynton' ep̃is, taxatoribus principalibus a Dño Nicho Papâ Quarto deputatis, una cum incremento per retaxationem a supradictis patribus factam super-

addito, anno Dñi millesimo ducentesimo nonagesimo primo;" f. 72 b.—102. This exhibits two valuations, one "verus valor," the other "Norwycens';" as for example,

Decanatus Oxon'.	Verus Valor.	Norwycens'.
Ecclia Sči Petri orient' cum capellis, &c. -	lx. marc.	l. marc.
Vicar' ejusdem -	- c. s.	c. s.
Ecclia B'tæ Mariæ -	xxiii. marc.	xx. marc.
Ecclia Omiu' Sčor' dedit pensionem -	v. marc. dim'	v. marc., &c.

2. Notes, chiefly relating to the county of Northampton, from the escaets at the Tower, of the reigns of Henry III., Edward I., and Edward II.; f. 105 b.—131.

3. Other notes relating to the same county from escaets both at the Tower and the Exchequer to the time of Queen Elizabeth; f. 132—157.

—LXXXVII.—

Collections from records for the County of Lancaster.

1. Chartæ Antiquæ in the Tower, from roll R.; and other Tower records of the reign of John; f. 1—8.

2. Copies of records transcribed by Dodsworth in the castle of Lancaster; f. 9—50. These are chiefly inquisitions beginning with 10 Ric. II.; but there are also petitions exhibited in the chancery of the duchy, and names of persons in commissions of array, in 5 Hen. VI.

3. "Feodarium com' Lanc' per Ricardum de Burscough," 9 Hen. VI.; f. 57—72.

4. "The mewres of Mawnton and half Little Halghton and Swinton;" f. 72 b.

5. "Rot' Patentum ab anno 13 ad annum 20 regalitatis Johannis de Gaunt Ducis Lanc';" f. 73—80.

6. "Rotulus Patentum de anno 8 Hen. IV. in com' Lanc';" f. 81—88.

7. "Rotulus Patentum, 1—10 Hen. V.;" f. 89—102.

8. " Inquisitiones tempore Edw. IV.;" f. 105—112.

9. Close and Patent Writs of the reigns of Edward IV. and Henry VII.; f. 113—158.

10. Inquisition p. m. of Richard Skillicorne, from a bundle of escaets in the Duchy of Lancaster Office; f. 158 b.

11. " Sess' Lanc' tent' apud Lanc', 18 Aug. 3 Hen. VIII.;" f. 161—167.

12. Patent writs, 6—12 Hen. VIII.; f. 169—178.

13. Lancashire inquisitions, temp. Edw. I. et Edw. III.; f. 179—183.

Among the Patent Rolls of Henry V., f. 99 b, is a writ of the ninth of that reign respecting the foundation of a college at Manchester.

—LXXXVIII.—

Miscellaneous Collections.

1. An English translation or copy of the testamentum Wulfrici Spott, published in the Monasticon, showed to Dodsworth by Thomas Heyster of Burton upon Trent, June 1643; f. 1—3.

2. Notes from charters in the custody of Henry Ogle of Whistan juxta Prestcote, in com' Lanc', Esq.; f. 4—7.

3. " Annotations taken out of a visitation made by Robert Glover, Somerset Herald, 1561 and 1580;" f. 9—22. These are,

   1. A list of the constables of Chester, from 8 John to A.D. 1600.
   2. Epitaphs on the Lacis.
   3. Gentlemen of Cheshire knighted by the Earl of Hertford at Leith in Scotland, 1544.
   4. Monumental inscriptions in various churches, chiefly in the counties of Warwick, Leicester, and Nottingham.

4. Notes from the collections of Robert Curwen of Cartmel, Gent.; f. 23—28.

5. Notes relating to Barton of Friton, from a manuscript in the custody of Thomas Hyrst, Gent.; f. 29.

6. Genealogical notes of Waterton, Lisle, and Chaworth; f. 29 b.—31.

7. Church notes by Dodsworth at Bracewell, Kirkby Stephen, Appleby, Windermere, and Hawkshead; f. 31—48. With these are many notes from records and fragments of genealogy, for the most part relating to the persons named in the inscriptions.

8. Abstracts and copies of charters in the custody of Christopher Philipson of Calgarth in Westmoreland, Esq.; f. 49—51.

9. Genealogies of Cumberland families from Archer; viz. Salkeld, Dykes, Leyburn, Tunstall, Thornborough, and Lamplugh; f. 52 and 53.

10. Collections for a list of sheriffs of Lincolnshire; f. 54.

11. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Jopson of Heath, near Wakefield, Esq.; f. 55 and 56.

12. Notes from the evidences of Will. Cooke of Askern, Gent.; f. 57.

13. A valuable collection of early charters transcribed at large, apparently from originals; f. 60—76.

14. Slight notes from the Great White Register of St. Mary's of York; f. 83—88.

15. Genealogical notices of Deyvile, Heron, Fetherstonhaugh, and Threlkeld; f. 89—92.

16. Various documents, chiefly of the Cliffords; f. 93—105. Among them are,

1. "Articles of agreement for the marriage of Richard Tempest, son and heir apparent of Nicholas Tempest of Bracewell, Esq., and Ellinor Scrope, daughter of the Lord Scrope, deceased, 7 Sep. 1564."
2. "Requests and demaunds maide in the behalff of the Duke of Northumberland to the Right Honourable the Erle of Cumberland for and concerning a marriage to be had between the Lord Gilford Dudley, one of the sonnes of the said duke, and the Ladie Margaret, daughter to the said earl;" f. 103.

3. " Articles of requests and demands on the behalf of the Erle of Cumberland for and concerning a marriage to be hadd betweyne the Lorde Strange, son and heir apparent to the Right Honorable the Erle of Darby, on the on partie, and Lady Margaret Clifford, doughter to the foresaid Erle of Cumberland, of the other partie."

17. Notes out of the Great Roll of the Pipe, 2 Hen. III.; f. 106 b.—119.

—LXXXIX.—

Miscellaneous Collections.

1. Knights fees, 12 Hen. II., from the Red Book of the Exchequer; f. 1—33.

2. Extracts from the hundred rolls of what relates to the county of Lincoln; f. 40—87.

3. Notes from writs and placita of various reigns; f. 88, 97, and 101.

4. Portion of the hundred rolls for the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon; f. 98 and 99.

5. Notes from Erdeswick's description of Staffordshire, then in manuscript; f. 103—112.

6. Slight notes out of Tower and Exchequer records; f. 115—120; f. 123—137; f. 151—155.

7. A few notes from " a leiger book of the abbey of Westminster, in the custody of Mr. Ocklee, a scholar with Mr. Busby at Westminster;" f. 120 b.

8. Notes from a chartulary of the house of Lekeburne; f. 140.

9. Notes from a chartulary of the house of Salley; f. 141—143.

10. Notes from a book of Nun Coton; f. 145.

11. Inquisition p. m. of Richard Wyndesore; f. 146—149.

12. Pedigree of the family of Archer, by Sir Simon Archer; f. 150.

—XC.—

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS. The leaves of this volume before f. 25 are lost.

1. Extracts from the great roll of the Pipe, 30 Hen. III.; f. 25—28: 29 Hen. II.; f. 33—38.

2. Extracts from the Red Book of the Exchequer; f. 29—32; f. 173 and 174.

3. Slight notes from various of the pipe rolls, and from records at the Tower; f. 41—49.

4. Extracts from the chartulary of Newstead, respecting Egmonton; f. 50—54.

5. "Nomina et comitum et baronum qui rogati fuerunt per regem ad guerram Scotiæ," from the Close Roll, 24 Edw. I.; f. 55 b.

6. Notes from the evidences of Sir Henry Willoughby of Risley, Bart.; f. 58—61.

7. Extracts from Mr. Levet's book of Castle Bytham evidences; f. 66.

8. Collections out of the pipe rolls for a catalogue of the sheriffs; f. 68—104.

9. Charters transcribed from Sir Christopher Hatton's book of seals; f. 107—126; f. 143—159.

10. Slight notes out of Henry of Huntingdon, and from divers records and charters; f. 130—139.

11. Descent of Mounteney and Tilli according to Mr. Richard Gascoign; f. 140.

12. Knights of the garter made by the several kings; f. 140.

13. Note of the foundation of the house of Kirby Belers; f. 141 b.

14. Foundation of the priory of Fynested in Northamptonshire; f. 142.

15. Notes of the foundations of several religious houses from the collections of John Layre of Shepereth, co. Camb., Esq.; f. 158.

16. Extracts from the registers of the see of Durham, beginning with Kellaw's register; f. 160—172.

17. Inquisition respecting the patronage of the church of Plessy; f. 177.

18. Slight and hasty notes from placita, writs, pipe rolls, and the Red Book; f. 178—196.

19. Fragment of an inquisition of tenures in the counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, &c.; f. 197—200.

—XCI.—

This volume consists for the most part of charters of the two neighbouring religious houses of NEWBOROUGH and BILAND in YORKSHIRE. See vol. XCIV.

1. Charters from the register of the priory of Newburgh; f. 1—28. Other charters of the house from originals in St. Mary's tower; f. 29—67.

2. Charters in St. Mary's tower relating to the abbey of Biland; f. 68—152.

3. A few notes from a chartulary of St. John of Pontefract; f. 153.

4. Charters from a book belonging to Mr. Fairfax of Menston; f. 157, 158, and 161.

5. Notes from the evidences of Robert Sherburn of Little Mitton; f. 159 and 160.

6. Notes from the evidences of Sir Peter Middleton of Stockeld; f. 163 and 164.

7. Notes from the evidences of the heirs of —— Fawkingham of Leeds; f. 169.

8. "The foundation of the abbey of Arden," from an ancient parchment; f. 172 b.

—XCII.—

Miscellaneous collections, chiefly for the COUNTY OF YORK, and for the most part on ECCLESIASTICAL AFFAIRS.

1. Copies of divers charters of the house of Salley, from the originals in the possession of Will. West of Middleton, near Lancaster; f. 1—15.

2. Copies and abstracts of charters belonging to Henry Arthington of Arthington, Esq.; f. 33—66.

3. Notes from a register of the see of York, intitled "Registrum vacationum archiepiscopatûs Ebor';" f. 69—80: *Vide etiam* f. 88. These notes begin in 1297 and end in 1407.

4. "In quodam cartulario in capellâ Sancti Willielmi super Pontem Use in civitate Ebor', cujus titulus talis est: Liber sive registrum memorandorum civitati tangent' in hoc volumine irrotulator' tempore Johannis de Gisburne majoris dictæ civitatis inceptæ et factæ anno r. r. Edwardi Tertii post conquestum Angliæ quadragesimo quinto: abbreviat' per ROGERUM DODSWORTH Eboracensem, rei antiquæ studiosum: ultimo Maii, 1647;" f. 81—87. In this book were entered divers deeds, inquisitions, wills, protestations before the mayor of York, and other documents throwing much light upon the state of the city in the period to which the book refers, namely, from the reign of Edward III. to that of Henry VIII.

5. A final concord made "per breve Regis Johannis" before the wapentake of Stancliffe; f. 89.

6. Extracts from an ancient rental of the abbey of Bolton, 1340; f. 89—92.

7. A few final concords of the reign of Henry III.; f. 95, 96; f. 104—106.

8. Copies and abstracts of evidences of Sir Edward Plumpton of Plumpton, Knight; f. 98—100.

9. Copy of a charter by which "Anfrica de Cunnoght heres de Insulâ de Man" quitclaims to Sir Simon de Montacute and his heirs all right in the said island; and because her own seal is not known to all, there is attached along with it the seal of Walter Bishop of Bath and Wells; dated on the Sunday next before the feast of St. John the Baptist, 1304, 32 Edwardi; f. 101. This copy was made from the original in the custody of Mr. Masters, keeper of the records in the Augmentation Office.

10. Notes from the evidences of Stephen Tempest of Broughton, Esq.; f. 111—115.

11. Charters transcribed at large of Plumpton, De la Pole, and others; f. 119—132.

12. Collections for a list of sheriffs of Cumberland and Yorkshire; f. 135.

13. An original receipt, dated 3rd Oct. 8 Elizab., from John Lambert of Calton, Esq., to Henry Earl of Cumberland for 100*l.*, which the earl had covenanted to pay the said Lambert in consideration of a marriage had between Benjamin Lambert, son and heir apparent of the said John, and Elizabeth Clifford: f. 136.

14. Documents relating to Richmond, and to a chantry at Guiseley; f. 137 and 138.

15. "The King's letter to the lord mayor and common council of London," dated Newcastle, 19th May 1646; f. 141.

16. Collections for a list of sheriffs of Westmorland; f. 142.

17. "The certificate of the most reverend father in God Robert Archbishop of York and others authorized by the King's Majesty's commission, dated 14th Feb. in the thirty-seventh year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord Henry the Eighth, &c., to survey all and singular chantries, hospitalls, colleges, free chapells, fraternities, brotherhoods, guilds, and salaries of stipendiary priests having perpetuities for ever, being charged or chargeable; and also all colleges not charged to the payment of first fruits and tenths; and all manors, lands, tenements, hereditaments, and possessions, with the goods and ornaments to the same belonging or appertaining, within the county of York, citie of York, and Kingston upon Hull, as well within the liberties as without, with the yearly deductions going forth of the same, as in the aforesaid commission amongst other things appeareth;" f. 143—170. This certificate is published in Stevens' Supplement to Dugdale's Monasticon, vol. i. p. 60.

18. Expences of the Earl of Cumberland at his creation in that dignity, on his journey from Skipton to London

at the time, and during his residence in London, 17 Hen. VIII.; f. 175—180.

19. Rough and slight notes on Yorkshire families and affairs; f. 183—190.

A memorandum at the beginning of this volume is to the effect that the papers of Weever, author of the *Ancient Funeral Monuments*, were in the hands of Mr. Calthorn his nephew, at his house in Little St. Bartholomew.

—XCIII.—

A volume, chiefly of rough and hasty notes from Records at the Tower.

1. From the inquisitions of the reign of Henry III.; f. 1—15.

2. "Quidam articuli liberati regi per communitatem regni," from the Close Rolls 3 Edw. II. m. 23; f. 18.

3. "Ordinatio receptionis petitionis," Sunday after the feast of Saint Matthew the Apostle, 33 Edw. I.; from the Memoranda de Parliamento; f. 19.

4. Notes from a chartulary of Langden in Kent; f. 20—22.

5. Notes from the Charter Rolls 27 Hen. VI.; f. 26—29.

6. A writ from the Rotulus Scotiæ, 10 Edw. III. m. 2. addressed to the constable of the castle of Dover and the keepers of the Cinque Ports, respecting ships; f. 34—39. Other writs from the same rolls; f. 58—69.

7. Notes from escaets of the reigns of Edward III. and Henry VI.; f. 41.

8. Notes from the Patent Rolls; f. 43—57.

9. Documents (imperfect) relating to a commission of sewers, 8 Ric. II.; f. 70—75.

10. Notes from Tower Records; f. 76—167. These are written rudely and hastily, and apparently by a hand (Dodsworth's own, as it seems,) weakened and uncertain by reason of disease or age.

—XCIV.—

Charters relating chiefly to the Houses of NEWBOROUGH and BILAND, and other northern monasteries. See vol. XCI.

1. Charters relating to the abbey of Biland from the originals in St. Mary's Tower; f. 1—66.

2. Charters transcribed at large relating to various places in the south parts of Yorkshire; f. 67—73.

3. "Cartæ tangentes diversas ecclesias prioratui de Newburgh concessas et confirmatas per Rogerum de Mowbray fundatorem;" f. 75—85.

4. Charters relating to various religious houses and some private families in the East Riding of Yorkshire and in Lincolnshire; f. 86—106.

5. Charters relating to the nuns of St. Clement near York; f. 107—111.

6. Charters relating to the houses of Syningthwaite and Gisburgh; f. 114—121.

7. "Indenture entre Thomas Conte de Lancastre et Monsr Adam de Swilington pur servir le dit Conte et avoir gages;" dated at Tutbury 21st June, 10 Edw. II.; f. 123.

8. Charters to divers religious houses in Yorkshire, transcribed at large; f. 125—146.

9. "Carta fundationis Sĉi Martini de Albemarle;" f. 149 and 150. This is a charter of Stephen Earl of Albemarle copied from what appears to have been an original in the Kirkstall chest in Saint Mary's tower.

10. "In quodam registro in officio decani et capituli Ebor', apud Ebor'; R.D. in dorso;" f. 151—156. This consists of concise abstracts of instruments, chiefly relating to lands belonging to the church of York, of the reigns of Henry III. and Edward I.

11. Charters relating to the house of Haltemprise; f. 157—161.

Among the Gisburgh charters is a copy of a writ from King Edward I. under the seal of the Exchequer, bearing date at Westminster 9th July, 19th year of his reign, trans-

mitting to the prior and convent copies of two charters lying in the Treasury, and requiring them to enter the charters in their chronicle "ad perpetuam rei gestæ memoriam." These were,—1. A charter tested at Norham the Tuesday after the Ascension 1291, by which Florence Earl of Holland, Robert de Brus, John Baillol, and other competitors recognize the right of King Edward to decide the question of the right of inheritance of the kingdom of Scotland, as printed in the Fœdera, new edit. vol. i. p. ii. f. 766. The other,—2, dated on the following day, by which the said several parties grant seisin of their castles, &c. to the king, is not in the Fœdera.

Amongst the Gisburgh charters are also the two following —

1. "Petitio Dñi Roberti de Brus liberata apud Berewyke super Twedam die Veneris prox. post festum Beati Petri ad Vincula anno Dñi M.CC. nonogesimo primo et regni Dñi Edwardi illustris Regis Angliæ et superioris domini regni Scociæ decimo nono." This instrument is in French, and, in that language, is not in the Fœdera, but the substance of it is to be found in another form at p. 776.

2. "Carta Roberti de Bruis de resignatione juris sui ad regnum Scociæ Roberto filio suo," dated at Berwick on Friday the morrow of St. Leonard, 1292. This is not in the Fœdera. For both these instruments see Vincent's *Discovery of Errors*, p. 254 and 255.

—XCV.—

"Abbreviationes Cartarum, et collectiones ex diversis autenticis, per Rogerum Dodsworth, Eboracensem, rei antiquæ studiosum, 1645."

This is Dodsworth's own title. A more particular view of the contents follows.

1. Extracts from a chartulary of the priory of the Holy Trinity of Kirkham, lately in the tower of St. Mary at York; f. 1—28. This chartulary is now (1835) in the Bodleian Library, (Fairfax 7.)

2. " Notes taken out of divers deeds, muniments, and other records in the custody of Charles Fairfax of Menston in the county of York, Esq., and by him found among the rubbish of St. Mary's tower in York six weeks after it was blown up with gunpowder by the besiegers of York, 1644;" f. 29—70.

It appears at f. 41 b. that Dodsworth himself assisted Fairfax in searching amongst the rubbish.

Amongst the documents thus recovered by them were,

" The rhyming charter of King Athelstan to Saint John of Beverley;" f. 32 b.

A roll of placita at York, 55 Hen. III.

A bundle of charters belonging to the house of Biland, amongst which is one of Hameline Earl of Warren, by which he confirms a grant of William Fitz Godric to the monks of certain mines in Emmeley.

The charter of Richard Fitz Turgis of the foundation of the abbey of Roche; f. 43 b.

Lease by the abbot and convent of Roche of the manor of Roxby to Edward Duke of Albemarle, Earl of Rutland and Cork, and Constable of England, 48 Edw. III.; f. 51.

3. Notes from a chartulary of the church of St. Peter of York, in the office of the registrar of the dean and chapter; f. 71—73.

4. Farther notes from Biland charters; f. 74.

5. Extracts from the register of the hospital of St. Leonard of York, with the history of its foundation; f. 75.

6. A few early charters of the house of St. Oswald of Nostell; f. 76 and 77.

7. A few notes out of a pedigree of the Fiz Hughs; f. 78.

8. Farther notes from the evidences in St. Mary's tower; f. 78 b.—84.

9. Notes from the evidences of —— Persey [Percyhay] of Riton, Esq.; f. 85.

10. Inscription on the monument of Archbishop Mountaine at Cawood; f. 90.

11. Foundation charter of the priory of Bolington in Lincolnshire, from the chartulary in possession of Robert Metham of Bolington, Esq.; f. 91.

12. Notes of the evidences of Robert Sandford of the Close in Lincoln; f. 91.

13. Pedigree of Widderington of Northumberland, taken from the relation of Sir Ephraim Widderington on 24th August 1643, he being then ninety years of age.

14. Slight notes from various charters; and a few genealogical and topographical memoranda, with a large body of extracts from the printed Camden; f. 93—165.

—XCVI.—

A volume relating to the County of Stafford.

There are a few notes from Domesday Book and the Liber Rubeus; but the volume consists almost entirely of the pedigrees of Staffordshire families, as they were entered at the visitation of 1583.

—XCVII.—

Miscellaneous Collections out of Records and Charters.

1. A large collection of fines and abbreviationes placitorum of the reigns of Richard I. and John; f. 1—63. At f. 60 it is stated that John Bradshaw (who was an officer of records) in 1591 made abridgments of the placita of those reigns, noticing especially what belonged to pedigree.

2. "In quodam cronico in principio Libri Domesday ex parte Rememoratoris R. in Scaccario;" f. 65. and "In fine libri predicti;" f. 65.

3. Extract from abbreviatio placitorum Hill. term. 30 Edw. III.; f. 66 b.

4. Notes from a chartulary of Castle Acre; f. 67 b. and f. 72.

5. Transcript of King Edgar's charter to the monastery of Ely from the bag of Quo warranto in the custody of the treasurer of the Exchequer; f. 68.

6. Notes from the collections of Richard Gascoign out of the Pell records; f. 73.

7. The title of Simon Rede and Joan his wife to the manor of Munden Furnyvale; f. 80.

8. Notes concerning William Briewer, founder of the church of Motesfount; f. 81.

9. " Positiones parochianorum ecclesiæ de Slauston contra abbatem et conventum de Oselveston super cantariâ habendâ in Authorp, motæ in consistor' Lincoln';" f. 82.

10. Notes from the will of John Prophet, dean of York, dated London, April 8, 1416; f. 83.

11. A printed sheet showing the descent of the barony of Fitz Walter; f. 84.

12. Slight descent of the Lacis; f. 86.

13. An original charter to the house of Castle Acre; f. 87.

14. A few slight notes out of the placita; f. 88.

15. Notes from the evidences of Sir William Savile of Thornhill, Knight and Bart., 1641; f. 89.

16. Collections for the descent of Nevile; f. 94.

17. Genealogical notices of Cheney, Marmion, Say, Scrope, Basset, and some other families; f. 98—106.

18. Descent of the lords Berkley; f. 107.

19. A few genealogical notes from Gascoign's additions to Burton's Leicestershire, Lillie's collections, and other sources not specified; f. 109—116.

20. Notes from the evidences of Edward Lindsey of Buckstead in Sussex, Esq.; f. 116 b.

21. Genealogies, mostly of families in the south of England, which appear to be copied for the most part from the collections of Gascoign, Sir Henry Saint George, and Sir Thomas Shirley; f. 117—154.

—XCVIII. CI. CIV.—

These three volumes, which are consecutive, and were so marked by Dodsworth, viz. vol. TTT, VVV, and WWW, contain his abstracts of the INQUISITIONS POST MORTEM of persons who died possessed of lands in the county of York, from 1 Henry VII. to 3 and 4 Philip and Mary. The abstracts are very full, showing the lands, the tenures, and the heirs.

Vol. XCVIII. contains to the 27 Henry VIII., and at the end of the volume is an extent of Holderness, of 15 Edward I.

—XCIX.—

"TESTAMENTA nonnulla dispersa et excerpta ex diversis registris quorundam Archiepiscoporum EBORACEN', ex parte registrarii officii Consistorii ibidem reservatis;" or, as in another title, also in Dodsworth's own hand, "tam ex parte registrarii Consistorii quam ex parte registrarii Receptoris Scaccarii ibidem."

The wills are abstracted in the same manner as those in vol. XXII., of which a specimen has been given. The first will is that of Nicholas son of John de Swanlound, 1342, from the register of archbishop Zouch; the last is of the year 1568, in the time of archbishop Young. They are in two serieses; one from f. 1. to f. 36, in which are several not in Dodsworth's hand; the second, and by far the largest series, is entirely by Dodsworth himself, filling from f. 39 to f. 310. This series begins with the time of archbishop Thomas Arundell, in the reign of Richard II., and extends to the time of Archbishop Young. The whole number in this series is about 1300.

Concerning two wills, viz. those of Anne Warton, f. 28 b, and Christopher Warton, f. 35 b, there is a memorandum to the effect that they are not genuine.

—C.—

Miscellaneous collections, relating chiefly to Religious Houses.

1. Extracts from the chartulary of St. Andrew of Northampton, in possession of Sir John Lambe; f. 1—45.

2. Extracts from a manuscript containing transcripts of charters of the Lords Berkley, made by Sir Thomas Shirley; f. 47—70.

3. Further extracts from Sir Christopher Hatton's book of seals; f. 71—77; f. 79—85. At f. 75 is the instrument of King Henry I. for erecting the bishoprick of Ely, dated in 1109. This document is not in the Fœdera.

4. Notes of the evidences of John Constable Viscount Dunbar; f. 78, and f. 86—91.

5. Notes of the evidences of Sir William Constable of Flamborough and Holme in Spaldingmore, Bart.; f. 92—95.

6. Notes of the evidences of Clement Throgmorton of Haseley, co. Warw., Esq., made by Will. Dugdale, Gent.; f. 103.

7. Foundation charter of St. Werburgh, Chester, from the original in possession of the dean and chapter of Chester; f. 104 b.

8. Foundation charter of the priory of Maxstoke from the original in possession of William Paulet of Cottles, Esq.; f. 107.

9. Copies of charters "bought of John Winkworth in the office of the Clerk of the Pipe;" f. 119—136. Most of these relate to gifts to religious foundations, especially to the abbey of Osolveston.

—CI.—

Inquisitions post mortem for the county of York, 27—38 Henry VIII., with a few irregularly disposed, from 3rd to 31st of that reign. This volume is a continuation of vol. XCVIII.

—CII.—

Miscellaneous collections, chiefly from Vincent's Manuscripts and the Cottonian Library.

1. From Vincent's manuscript:—
   1. Extracts from the register of the priory of Grysley, co. Notts; f. 1 and 2.
   2. "Historia monasterii de Parco Stanley;" f. 3—15.
   3. "Cronica de fundatoribus et de fundatione ecclesiæ Theokusburiæ, que fundata fuit primo, anno gratiæ DCCXXV per Duces Mercior';" f. 16—27.
   4. Charters belonging to —— Poley, Gent.; f. 31 b.
   5. Extracts from a book of the monastery of St. Mary Overy; f. 32.
   6. Notes of the evidences of Lord Vaux of Harwedon; f. 36—43.
   7. Extracts from a chartulary of the abbey of Ford; f. 44.
2. From the Cottonian Library:—
   1. Extracts from Vitellius, F. IV., relating to Thetford and other religious foundations; f. 67—72. This manuscript was greatly injured in the fire from which the Cottonian library sustained so much damage.
   2. Extracts from the book of the house of St. Benedict at Holme; f. 88.
   3. Extracts from Vitellius, F. VIII., relating to divers monasteries; f. 89 and 90; f. 95 and 96. This manuscript was half destroyed in the fire.
   4. Extracts from Tiberius, D. VI., relating to the monastery of Christ Church, Twynham; f. 94. This manuscript is not now in the library. But it may seem as if Claudius, A. VIII., is the manuscript from which the extracts were made, as it contains extracts from the register of Twynham, and also, immediately following, extracts from charters of Saint Saviour's Bermondsey; notes

respecting that house following those respecting Twynham in Dodsworth's volume; f. 97—101.

5. Extracts from Cleop. C. III.; f. 110 and 111.

Besides the above, there are in this volume,

3. Extracts from the leiger book of St. Giles of Barnewell, collected by Mr. James Strangman; f. 91.

4. Extracts from the registry of charters of the prioress of Holywell, penes Edm. B. [*i. e.* Edmund Bolton.]

5. A few notes from the Red Book of the Exchequer; f. 103—105.

6. Two writs from the fine rolls of 22 and 20 Edw. III.; f. 107—109.

7. Division of the county of Lincoln, as it may be collected from Domesday; f. 115 b.

8. Abstracts of charters in possession of the Earl of Lindsey, of Geffery Palmer of Carlton, and at Belvoir Castle; f. 116. Some of these were communicated to Dodsworth by Dr. Robert Saunderson.

9. Notes from the collections of Will. Vernon of Shakerley, Esq.; f. 123.

10. A few slight notes of Swinburn, Clifford, and other northern families, with slight notices of evidences and records. Notices also of religious houses, of which the most remarkable is that of the hospital of St. John the Baptist at Newport Paynel; f. 124—141.

—CIII.—

Collections out of the Close Rolls.

These are made, like Dodsworth's other collections, out of the Tower records, without any principle of selection, except that of taking what appeared to him of importance. The extracts are not numerous, and they are from about one in thirty of the writs entered on these rolls. This volume contains from 9 John to 26 Henry III. Where the Close Rolls do not now exist there are no extracts in this manuscript. Vol. CIX. is in sequence to this, and vol. CXI. contains similar collections from the rolls of Edward I.

—CIV.—

INQUISITIONES POST MORTEM of the county of York, 1 Edw. VI. to 3 & 4 Ph. and Mary, being in sequence from vol. CI.

—CV.—

Miscellaneous collections, relating chiefly to RELIGIOUS HOUSES.

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20. Names of several sheriffs of Northumberland in the reigns of Edward I. and II.; f. 106.

21. "The names of sundry fryeryes, guilds, and chantrys in and adjoining to the city of York in former ages;" f. 106 b. and 107. See also the verso of f. 194.

22. Notes out of the collections of John Hanson of Woodhouse relating especially to the manor of Wakefield; f. 113—157.

23. Notes out of the court rolls of the manor of Wakefield and other evidences relating to that manor; f. 157—162.

24. Notes from the evidences of Robert Heywood of Heywood in Lancashire; f. 163—166.

—CXVIII.—

Further extracts from Records and Charters, chiefly relating to Religious Houses.

1. Extracts from the coucher book of Selby in the custody of Tho. Walmesley; f. 1—40.

2. Extracts from the book of Cockersand in the custody of Robert Dalton of Thornam, Esq.; f. 41.

3. Extracts from a book of fees of the county of Lancaster in the custody of Hugh Rigby feodary; f. 43.

4. Notes from the evidences of —— Washington of Adwick le Street; f. 44.

5. "Genealogia Laceorum Dominorum de Pontfract et Blakbornshire," from the Kirkstall manuscript before referred to in the custody of —— Fawkingham of Leeds; f. 47. *Post conquestum autem in unum omnia sunt redacta*, &c. The Kirkstall manuscript is now (1835) in the Bodleian library.

6. Notes from the chartulary of Gisburn in the Cotton library; f. 49—54.

7. Notes from the register of the abbey of Meaux in the Cotton library; f. 55—62.

8. Notes from early court rolls of the manor of Wakefield; f. 63.

9. Notes from the book of Fountains; f. 65.

10. Notes from the evidences of Sir Henry Goodricke; f. 66.

11. Charters of Peter de Brus to the abbey of Gisborough; f. 68.

12. Notes out of the coucher of Bridlington in the custody of William Ingleby; f. 68.

13. Notes from the book of Drax in the custody of Marmaduke Constable of Everingham; f. 69—74.

14. "Several houses of the Constables descended out of Flamborough;" f. 74 b.

15. The coheirs of William Pert; f. 75 b.

16. Of the foundation of the chapel of Saint Clement in the castle of Pontefract; f. 76.

17. Slight notes touching Walter Lichlade, chanter of Exeter, John Stratford Archbishop of Canterbury, several bishops of Durham, and also concerning the wells at Newnham Regis; f. 77.

18. "This is the petigree of the Percyes, made by Mr. Stockdale of Greenhammerton, som tyme auditor to the Earl of Northumberland;" f. 78. It contains the descent from Josceline of Louvaine to the marriage with Clifford.

19. Notes from the foundation deed of the hospital founded in Castle Gate, York, by Thomas Howme; f. 78 b.

20. Notes out of the book of constitutions of Canterbury and York in the Cotton library, and out of various charters and placita; f. 79—82.

21. Pedigree of Umfravile Earl of Angus; f. 80 b.

22. Notes from the chartulary of Nun Kelling in Sir Robert Cotton's library; f. 83—86. Not now in the library. Dodsworth says that it was bound up with a copy of Kirkby's inquest for the county of York.

23. Notes from the collections of Ralph Starkey concerning religious houses; f. 87.

24. Notes out of rolls at the Tower relating to Yorkshire; f. 89—92.

25. Extract from the book of fees for Richmondshire in the Cotton library, with other matter relating to Richmondshire; f. 93—100.

26. A few notes out of a chronicle of Durham in the Cotton library; f. 100 b.—102.

27. Names of sundry persons summoned to parliament as barons from 24 Edw. I. to 16 Ric. II., taken from the Close Rolls; f. 103. See also f. 105.

28. Extract from a book of tenures in Yorkshire relating to Dodsworths; f. 104.

29. Notes out of Sir Richard Saint George's great black book relating to Furness and Vescy; f. 104 and 112.

30. Extracts from a kalendar of Gisburn priory in possession of Sir Robert Cotton; f. 106.

31. A few notes out of the evidences of the Earl of Huntingdon; f. 106 b.

32. Notes out of two registers of the house of Furness in the office of the duchy of Lancaster; f. 107.

33. Notes out of a chartulary, the house uncertain; f. 109 and 110.

34. "Ex cronico monasterii de Croxsden;" f. 111.

35. "De primâ fundatione abbathiæ de Kirkstede;" f. 111.

36. Notes from the book of charters of the house of Saint Thomas the Martyr near Stafford; f. 111 b.

37. The release of John Aston to the king of his right in the county of Albemarle; f. 113.

38. Notes from the evidences of the family of Argentine; f. 113 b.

39. Foundation charter of Horsham and narrative of the foundation; f. 114—116.

40. List of the chief justices of England from the conquest to the death of Henry III., and of the chief

justices of the Common Pleas from that time to the year 1588; f. 117.

41. Notes concerning the family of Balliol; f. 120.

42. Notes from the placita, 4 Edw. I., concerning Wyveleby and the Earl of Albemarle; f. 120 b.

43. Collections from various sources concerning the foundation of several religious houses; viz. Bredon, Derham, Knaresborough, Revesby, Evesham, Whitby, St. Leonard of York, St. John of Pontefract, Nun Monckton, Blythe, Newstead, Welbeck, Rufford, &c.; f. 120—132.

44. Notes relating chiefly to the succession of the deans of York, out of three registers of the acts of chapter, between 4 Ric. II. and 31 Hen. VIII.; f. 133.

45. A large collection of notes out of charters relating to Yorkshire, with topographical memoranda; f. 134—145.

46. Copies of deeds touching the Lord D'Eyvill's right to Barnborough in Yorkshire; f. 146.

47. Notes out of the evidences of John Armitage of Kirklees; f. 147 b.

48. Notes out of the evidences of Thomas Lewis of Marr; f. 148 b.

49. Notes from charters in Saint Mary's tower; f. 150 b. and f. 153—156. Some in the handwriting of Gascoign.

50. Notice of Bodlam in Rydale from a book of Sir Henry Saint George; f. 152.

51. Notes concerning the family of Mounteny; f. 152.

52. Descent of Fleming of Wath from the book of the hospital of St. Nicholas of Pontefract; f. 152 b.

53. Extracts from the chronicles of Hoveden and Newbridge; f. 156 b—160.

54. Notes respecting the Cliffords from the mouth of Mr. William Tayler; f. 160 b.

55. Charters of the house of Bridlington; f. 161—163.

56. Charters of Bosvile; f. 163 b.—166.

57. Charters relating to places in the south of Yorkshire; f. 167.

58. Notes respecting the death of Oswin King of Northumberland; f. 168 b.

59. Foundation and other charters of Kirklees; f. 169.

60. Other charters, with sketch of descent of the families of Saint Mary and of Mowbray; f. 170.

61. Traditionary account of the foundation of the priory of Bretton; f. 172.

62. Charters of Stutevile, Roos, Lysurs, &c.; f. 172 b. —176.

63. Extract from an act of parliament relating to Holgate Archbishop of York, 37 Hen. VIII.; f. 176 b.

On a fly leaf at the beginning are a few notes concerning the public benefactions of Mr. Bellot; also the following testimony to the value of this choice volume:— "Hos egregii viri ROGERI DODSWORTH perennes labores in tabulas nostras transcripsi, mense Aug. 1664. N. Johnston, M.D. Pontefractensis." It appears by similar memoranda that Johnston borrowed other volumes of this collection.

—CXIX.—

Notes, chiefly out of RECORDS, relating for the most part to the BARONAGE.

1. Copies of confused notes out of the public records and private charters made by Saint Lowe Kniveton; f. 1—56.

2. Collections respecting remarkable tenures; f. 57 —64.

3. Descent of Fitz Jeffery Lord of Kirtling; f. 65.

4. Notes from Lillie's extracts from the coucher of Worksop, and from his book of nobility; f. 73.

5. Inscriptions at Haversham and Warton; f. 74.

6. "De pallio;" f. 75.

7. A printed pardon granted to William Kirkby of Rawcliffe, co. Lanc., Esq., by John Brayborn prior of Langley; f. 76.

8. Slight notes on a custom at Rome, and another in the cathedral at Milan; f. 77.

9. Collections for a list of the abbots of Saint Mary at York; f. 78 b.

10. Genealogical notes of Hammerton and the Earls of Eu; f. 79.

11. Abstracts of pleas in the reigns of Henry VI. and Edward IV.; f. 80—95.

12. Extracts from another book of pleas, 32—34 Edw. I.; f. 96—154. Dodsworth has selected what appeared to him to be the most interesting cases, and has appended genealogical deductions.

13. A few notes respecting Grandison, Percy, Bardolf, Deyvile, Berkley, Trusbut, chiefly after Gascoign; f. 155 b. —158.

—CXX.—

Miscellaneous notes, a great part of which are out of the RECORDS at the TOWER.

1. Large extracts from the Charter Rolls, chiefly of matter relating to the counties of York and Lancaster, from 3 John to the close of the reign of Edward IV.; f. 1—92.

2. Notes out of the inquisitions, the patent, fine, charter, and liberate rolls; f. 93—100.

3. Notes relating to Yorkshire affairs out of Hoveden and Matthew Paris; f. 101—110.

4. Foundation of the abbey of Furness from the chartulary in the duchy of Lancaster office; f. 111.

5. A charter to the monastery of Haya; f. 112 b.

6. The charter of Queen Alianor, wife of Henry III., respecting the hospital of St. Catherine in the Tower; f. 113.

7. The charter of the foundation of St. Augustine's near Canterbury; f. 115.

8. Agreement between Richard de Falconberg and the prioress of Appleton; f. 116 b.

9. Large extracts from Selden's History of Tythes; f. 121—152.

10. A few generations of Bolton of Bolton juxta Fangfoss; f. 153.

11. Collections towards a catalogue of justiciars and justices; f. 155—168.

12. Slight collections for a catalogue of writers, natives of Yorkshire; f. 169 b.

—CXX b.—

Thus may be designated a volume, which was entirely overlooked when the catalogue of 1697 was formed. It is bound up with vol. CXX. The mark by which it was known to Dodsworth was C.C. The contents are correctly described by an old hand on the first leaf:—" This book containeth the Leiger Book of Saint Leonard of York, first and second volume, fol. 1 ad 112; the first Leiger Book of Fountains, ad finem."

The book of Fountains was at that time in the possession of —— Ingleby, Esq.

The volume contains also,

1. The early generations of Maleverer; f. 156.

2. Collections for a list of the priors of St. Oswald of Nostel, and a few notes out of a chartulary of that house; f. 160—164.

—CXXI.—

Notes out of the Chancery Records at the Tower of matters relating to the county of York, but intermixed with them are many other things, a list of which follows:—

1. A leaf of extracts made by Gascoign out of the book belonging to the church of York, called the Great White Register; f. 47.

2. Foundation charter of Nun Appleton; f. 48.

3. " Confirmatio monetar' archiepo Cantuar'," 1 John, from a book of charters of the archbishoprick; f. 49.

4. Notes of evidences relating to Panlaith Croft without Monk Bar in York; f. 62.

5. Copies of a few charters in the Yeddingham chest in Saint Mary's tower; f. 62 b.

6. A few notes from the chartulary of St. Leonard of York; f. 64.

7. Perambulations of forests in Lancashire and Yorkshire; f. 65—72.

8. Extracts from Lambert *De priscis Anglorum legibus;* " de monetariis sive lusoribus;" f. 72 b.

9. On the Mowbrays, from the register of the homages to the Archbishop of York; f. 85 b.

10. Charter of lands to the prioress of Nun Appleton, given that Richard Falconberg should have his lodging and diet in the house for twelve years; f. 86.

11. A few notes out of Hoveden; f. 87 b.

12. Extracts from Matthew Paris and Stowe respecting the brethren of the Sack; f. 99 b.

13. Foundation charters of Watton and Malton; f. 100.

14. Slight collections for a list of the chancellors of England; f. 101.

15. Extracts from a chronicle of Brute and a chronicle of Kirkstall, bound together, in the Cotton library; f. 102—111.

16. Extracts from a chartulary of St. Leonard of York in the Cotton library; f. 112—116.

17. A page of notes respecting Faxflete; f. 117.

18. Extracts from the Rievaulx chartulary in the Cotton library; f. 118—132.

19. Notes out of a manuscript of Sir Robert Cotton relating to the foundation of the church of Winchester; 132 b.

20. Genealogical history of the Mowbrays, from a fragment of a book of Selby abbey, bound up with the history of Merlin in the Cotton library; f. 133.

21. A few notes relating to ecclesiastical foundations in Yorkshire; f. 135.

22. Charter relating to Penwortham in Lancashire; f. 138.

23. A charter of liberties to the church of York; f. 139.

24. Further notes, resembling those at f. 135—137, from a register of St. Leonard's at York, with other notes towards a catalogue of mayors and bailiffs of York; f. 142—160.

25. "Civitas Ebor' de serjantiis;" f. 166 b.

26. A few notes out of a survey of the lordship of Middleham; f. 168.

27. List of places in Yorkshire where the monks of Burlington had lands; f. 168 b.

28. Copy of the fine of the castle of Tickhill, 6 Hen. III. Robert de Vipont and Idonea his wife to Alice Countess of Eu; f. 169.

29. A very few notes out of a roll of chantries in the deanery of Doncaster, in the Augmentation Office; f. 169 b.

30. Topographical notes of places in Yorkshire; f. 170—174.

—CXXII.—

A volume of Genealogical Apparatus collected from the Chancery and Exchequer records and from chartularies, by Talbot, Ferrers, Gascoign, and Dodsworth.

The chartularies are those of St. Benedict at Holme, Wymundham, St. Werburgh of Chester, Gloucester, Clerkenwell, Barlings, Kirkstall. Interspersed are the oath of the knights of the Bath, collections for a catalogue of the masters of the rolls, and notes from the evidences of the Scropes.

—CXXIII.—

This volume consists for the most part of extracts from the Inquisitions at the Tower of

matter relating to the county of York, made by Dodsworth himself, in Trin. term 1623.

1. Abstracts of the said inquisitions, both p. m. and ad q. d.; f. 1—69.

2. Genealogy of Brandon and Beauchamp; f. 69 b.

3. Inq. p. m. of Henry Laci Earl of Lincoln; f. 72.

4. Notes from inquisitions in the reigns of Henry III., Edward III., and Richard II.; f. 73—80.

5. Notes out of Norden's *Surveyor's Dialogue* respecting the lawless court at Raylie in Essex; f. 80 b.

6. Notes out of the inquisitions, and a very few from the patent and close rolls, for the county of Leicester; f. 81—88.

7. Extracts out of the Red Book of the Exchequer; f. 89—92.

8. Fees of the Archbishop of York in Lincolnshire, from the book of fees in the Exchequer, with notices of homages from the register of the Archbishop; f. 83—104.

9. Notes of Yorkshire fees from a book of John Cartwright, feodary; f. 105—128. The leaf numbered 168 is, by mistake of the binder, placed between f. 112 and f. 113.

10. Notes out of the inquisitions of tenures in chief in Yorkshire; f. 129—157.

11. Notes out of an ancient *Registrum Brevium* in Dodsworth's own possession; f. 157 b.—160.

12. Further notes from the inquisitions from Edward II. to Henry IV.; f. 161—173.

—CXXIV.—

Another volume of Genealogical Apparatus out of the Chancery and Exchequer records, chartularies, the Cotton collections, the books at the Heralds College, all indigested and mixed,

much of which appears to be copied from Gascoign. It resembles vol. CXXII.

There are also —

1. Slight notes from placita relating to the county of York; f. 1—6.

2. A few notes of scutages from the Red Book of the Exchequer; f. 6 b.

3. Notes from placita, fines, and books of knights fees; f. 7.

4. Notes from the evidences of Sir Thomas Metham; f. 8 b. and f. 13.

5. Extracts out of Weever's Funeral Monuments; f. 134 b. —148.

6. "The names and places of dwelling in Shropshire;" f. 149.

—CXXV.—

Collections relating chiefly to Ecclesiastical Affairs in the diocese of York.

1. Notes out of the registers of the see of York; viz.
   - The great roll of Walter Gray; f. 1.
   - The lesser roll of Walter Gray; f. 9 b.
   - The register of Walter Giffard; f. 13.
   - The register of the dean and chapter, during vacancies of the see, at divers times; f. 13.
   - The register of Richard Scrope; f. 27 b.
   - The register of William Wickwane; f. 28 b. and 40 b.
   - The register of Alexander Nevile; f. 31 b.
   - The register of Walter Giffard; f. 34.
   - The register of John Romane; f. 35 b.
   - The register of Robert Waldby; f. 40 b.
   - The registers of Melton, Kemp, Thoresby, and Romane; f. 42.
   - The Great White Register; f. 45.
   - Greenfield's register, the second part; f. 47.
   - Thoresby's register; f. 48 and 73.

Greenfield's register, the first part; f. 49 b.

The register of Mr. Robert de Pickering, canon of the church of St. Peter of York, and vicar general of Archbishop William, 1311; f. 53 b.

The register of the dean and chapter, called Domesday; f. 55—70.

The third and second parts of the White Register; f. 71.

2. The charter of King Edgar, and of other Saxon and of the early Norman kings, to the see of York; f. 75—88.

3. Copies of evidences relating to transactions between the Vavasors and the dean and chapter of York and the friars minors of York, from the Vavasor evidences; f. 89.

4. Collections out of records and manuscripts in the Cotton library, relating to the church of York; f. 100.

5. Documents relating to the guild of St. Anthony at York, and their house in Peaseholme Green; f. 105.

6. A few extracts from divers printed books relating to ecclesiastical affairs in Yorkshire; f. 106.

7. A few slight notes out of a copy of the feodary's book for Yorkshire; f. 106 b.

8. Extracts from a terrier of the lands belonging to the monastery of St. Alban's relating to Norton in the Clay in Richmondshire; f. 109. The terrier was a paper book in the Cotton library.

9. A few slight notes from records, and topographical memoranda; f. 110—112.

10. Collections towards a list of treasurers of the church of York; f. 116.

11. Extracts from Harpsfield's history; f. 117—122.

12. Topographical notes and memoranda out of various archbishops registers, the most remarkable of which are constitutions issued at a provincial convocation held at the chapter house at York, 17th Aug. 1440; and "Sundry heresies maintained at Worsoppe by Giles Vanbeller, Duchman and minister, which he doth publicly disclaim and recant." There are also notices of a few wills, among

which are those of Maud, Countess of Cambridge, and of Chief Justice Gascoign; f. 123—131.

13. "Out of a table in the revestry of the cathedral church of York," relating to miracles at the tomb of Archbishop William; f. 132—142.

14. "A report of the occasion of the foundation of Bolton Abbey;" f. 144.

15. An account of the foundation of the free school at Otley; f. 145 b.

16. Various slight topographical notes; f. 146.

17. Privileges of the abbey of Sempringham; f. 147.

18. Notes relating to free schools and hospitals in Yorkshire; f. 144—153.

19. Foundation of the priory of Nun Monckton; f. 159 b.

20. Extract from a printed volume in the Cotton library concerning Richard de Hampole; f. 160.

21. Extract from Mr. Wilson's book of fees of Richmondshire out of Domesday Book and Kirkby's Inquest; f. 160 b.

22. Account of the descent of Lazingcroft in the Gascoigns; f. 162.

23. Memoranda of historical events at York; f. 163.

24. Bill indented of things given by Sir Tho. Cornborough to his chantry priest in the Trinity chapel at Somerby Kirk near Gainsborough, 1440; f. 164; and other deeds of the same family.

25. Copies of charters relating to Osgodby; f. 168.

26. Notes out of fifty-four pieces of old evidence had of my cousin Bosvile, 1618, now in Sir Rob. Cotton's library; f. 171 b.

27. "De reliquiis reconditis in ecclesiâ Be' Petri Ebor'," in the latter end of Hierom's Evangelists, in the register office of the dean and chapter; f. 172.

28. Collections towards a catalogue of the deans of York; f. 175.

29. An inventory of the jewels, plate, copes, vestments,

and all other ornaments in the revestry of the church of St. Peter of York, and appertaining to the high altar, taken 18th Nov. 1547; f. 179.

This volume was also lent to Dr. Johnston: "Insignia hæc collectanea perlegi, et transcripsi a paginâ 89, mense Sept. 1662; N. Johnston, M. D., Pontefractensis."

—CXXVI.—

GENEALOGICAL APPARATUS, similar to vol. CXXII. and CXXIV.

The records and manuscripts used are the following:

1. The book of Lacock.
2. The chancery records at the Tower.
3. The chronicle of Ralph Niger.
4. Glover's pedigree of Talbot.
5. The register of Geffery prior of Coventry.
6. "Retinencia Regis E. III. in exercitu suo in partibus Norman', Franciæ, et coram Cales' anno regni sui xx°." from a roll in the king's treasury at the new palace at Westminster; f. 30.
7. Wills at the Prerogative Office; f. 33—40.
8. The originalia of the Exchequer.
9. The register of Barnwell in Cambridgeshire, in possession of Sir Richard St. George.
10. An ancient writing concerning the descent of the Greystokes.
11. The book of St. Benedict at Holme.
12. The register of the abbey of Langdon in Kent, in possession of the King's Remembrancer; f. 109 b.
13. The register of Wirksop.
14. The pipe rolls of the 5 & 8 Hen. II.
15. A chartulary of Thurgarton in possession of the Lady Stanhope.
16. A roll of the priory of Roucester in possession of Francis Trentham.
17. Register of the priory of St. Mary of Southwark.

—CXXVII.—

Another volume like the last, chiefly consisting of notes from the FINES of Yorkshire lands, copied from Gascoign.

There are also notes from the evidences of private families, especially Wentworth, Rockley, Strickland, and Bellingham, and also from the book of Fountains; the book of Meaux; rolls in the castle of Pontefract; book WW of Vincent's collections; the Domesday book, and other registers of the see of York; the book of Wirksop; the book of Kirkstall; charters in the Sinningthwaite chest, in St. Mary's tower; the torn coucher of St. Mary's abbey at York; the great book of charters in the Duchy of Lancaster office; the Roche abbey chest, in St. Mary's tower.

At the end of the volume is a sketch of the descent of Savile of Copley.

—CXXVIII.—

Another similar volume of copies from Gascoign's collections out of FINES and PLACITA, also from CHANCERY and EXCHEQUER RECORDS.

There are also notes out of the following books and charters:—The book of the abbey of Pipewell, in the Cotton library; the book of Christ Church Canterbury, in the same; the register of Glastonbury, in possession of Sir Tho. Thinne; the register of Boxgrave; the Liber Roffensis, in the Cotton library; the charters of Marmaduke Wilson of Tanfield; the charters of Charles Fairfax; Sir John Biron's book; Mr. Vavasor of Haselwood's book of records, dedicated to him by Mr. Saint Lowe Kniveton.

—CXXIX.—

COLLECTIONS, HISTORICAL and ECCLESIASTICAL.

1. Notes out of a life of St. Thomas Becket, a manuscript in possession of Charles Fairfax of Menston, Esq.,

being extracted by the writer out of five several authors who had written the said life, viz. John of Salisbury, Alan abbot of Tewkesbury, William subprior of Canterbury, Herbert de Boseham, and William Fitz Stephen; f. 1—10.

2. Extracts from the coucher book of the hospital of St. Leonard of York, in the Cotton library; f. 11.

3. Grant by Edmund, son of King Henry, to Stephen de Langton of the marriage of Elizabeth cousin and heir of Robert Banaster; f. 17.

4. Charter by which Henry de Laci granted the manor of Walton in Lancashire to Robert Banaster; f. 17 b.

5. Notes from placita; f. 18—21.

6. Notes from Duchesne's Norman historians and other printed books; f. 23.

7. Miscellaneous notes out of charters; f. 29, 35.

8. Notes out of the evidences of Sir Henry Savile of Methley, with pedigree of Savile; f. 31—35.

9. Verses "on a bracelet of hair given by a gentlewoman to her servant;" f. 36.

10. Extracts from a book of Fountains in the custody of Sir Henry Savile; f. 37—45.

11. Notes from wills proved in the court of the Archbishop of York, 1398 to 1470; f. 55—95.

12. Indenture respecting the will of William Balderston, 38 Hen. VI.; f. 96.

13. Collections, of no great value, of historical events at York; f. 101—108.

14. Notes from charters of Marmion and Fitz Hugh; f. 109—116.

15. Copy of an old document relating to the vill of Erdsley in Yorkshire; f. 117.

16. A few notes out of what appears to have been a sermon on Numbers ii. 12; f. 119.

17. A transcript from Domesday Book of what relates to York; f. 121.

18. Another copy of the discourse of Cuthbert Tunstall

Bishop of Durham with King Henry VIII. in praise of Yorkshire; f. 123. Printed by Hearne.

19. Large collections out of records touching the family of Metham; f. 125—139.

20. "The names of colleges, hospitalls, chantreys, free chapells, stipendiaries, priests, guilds, fraternities, and other such like perpetuities in city and county of the city of York, and the archdeaconry, 27 Hen. VIII., with the names of the incumbents and founders, with the intents of the foundations, the distance from the parish church, with the uses and necessities of the foundations;" f. 140—155.

21. "The names of divers chantries within named, graunted to the Lo. Mayor of York, and 3 obits, and dissolved by act of parliament, and by the King's letters patent, dated 15 April anno regni 27;" f. 156.

22. Similar notes of chantries in other parts of the diocese; f. 160—169.

23. A catalogue of religious houses in the north of England, specifying the name of the founder, the annual value of the lands, peculiar superstitions in each house; f. 171—182. From a manuscript in the Cotton library.

24. "Out of a note entitled Progressus Domini Suffraganei, written in an antient hand. This I had of Ralph Starchy, a diligent searcher of antiquities, 13th Oct. 1621. It seems the part of Leland's itinerary which I have seen in Mr. Wil. Burton's hands, of Lynley in Leicestershire, and by him given to the library at Oxford in May 1635;" f. 183—188. I do not perceive why it should be supposed to be Leland's; it is only a very slight itinerary of the religious houses in Nottinghamshire, Yorkshire, and Lancashire, the information collected by report, and relating to little more than the founder and the order.

25. Notes respecting the northern monasteries taken out of a visitation by Norroy in the time of Henry VIII., before the dissolution; f. 189—194.

26. A few notes out of Godwin de præsulibus; f. 195.

27. Collections for the history of Richmondshire, and especially of Middleham; f. 198—205.

28. Valuable notice of Thomas de Howme, citizen of York, and a benefactor; f. 207.

29. Notes out of Howes' chronicle; f. 208.

30. Miscellaneous topographical notes; f. 210.

31. Slight notes from Mr. Gascoign's Fines and Mr. Leppington's notes out of the Tower records relating to chantries, hospitals, &c.; f. 212—219.

32. Note concerning the foundation of Dulwich College; f. 219 b.

33. Notes respecting various ecclesiastical foundations from Mr. Stowe's Monasticon, which Dodsworth had of Ralph Starchy, 1621; f. 220—224.

34. "Out of a book containing abstracts of charters relating to the foundations of religious houses in the Cotton library, which Sir Robert says are Mr. Talbot's collections;" f. 225.

—CXXX.—

Another volume, like several of the preceding under the even numbers, containing Genealogical Apparatus without order or arrangement, copied principally from the collections of Gascoign, but containing matter originally gathered by Talbot, Henry Ferrers, and Kniveton. It may be proper to add that Gascoign's own collections no longer exist.

Besides the public records, there are notes in this volume from monumental inscriptions of Stapleton, at Ingham, and Perient, at Digswell—the book of St. Mary de Pratis in the custody of Sir Tho. Deering—the book of Meaux—the evidences of Will. Lisle of Wilburgham—the book of Fountains—the Tutbury coucher in the duchy office—the book of the priory of Swavesey, co. Cantab.—the register of the priory of St. Andrew in Northampton—

Fordun's chronicle—the book of the priory of Mendham—the book of Fountains in the custody of Will. Ingleby of Ripley—the book of Bardenay—the book of fees in the duchy office—the chartulary of Castle Acre in possession of the king's remembrancer—the book of the priory of Southwark.

—CXXXI.—

Volume relating to the DUCHY of LANCASTER, in two parts.

1. "Feodarium ducatûs Lanc', extract' de Rubeo Libro, libris feodarium, et libris rationabilis auxilii in Scaccario domini Regis existent'; necnon de diversis inquisitionibus, rotulis curiæ et comptorum, ac aliis evidentiis," &c.; f. 1—84.

2. "Inquisitiones apud Lancaster de hominibus tenent' de domino Rege ut de ducat' suo Lanc' terras et tenementa in com' Lanc' in capite ut per servicium militare, capt' coram escaetor' diversorum regum in eodem com', tam per brevia quam virtute officiorum et similiter per commissiones;" f. 87—104. This is copied from Bardsey's roll of tenures in Lancashire, then remaining in the Court of Wards at Westminster.

—CXXXII.—

Collections of FEUDAL TENURES in the Counties of NOTTINGHAM and DERBY. The paging of this volume begins with f. 33.

1. Extracts from the Testa de Nevill; f. 33—35.

2. "De serjantiis arrentatis per Robertum de Passelewe temp. Hen. fil. Regis J., Nott' et Derb';" f. 41.

3. "Veredictum de singulis wapentagiis de com' Nott' et Derb' de escaetis dominabus valectis et puellis, &c. capta inter 1 et 3 Ric. I.;" f. 43—46. This is a portion of the Rotulus de Dominabus, &c. in the custody of the king's remembrancer, which Dodsworth, with other antiquaries, regarded

as belonging to the reign of Richard I., and not to that of Henry II. Later matter occurs under the heading above given, for it is stated that William de Furnell held the church of the High Peak by gift of King John.

4. " Feoda militum in com. Nottingham ;" f. 46 b.—48.

5. Copies of notes by Saint Lowe Kniveton out of fines, inquisitions, and other records, relating chiefly to the county of Nottingham ; f. 49—88.

6. " Ex rotulo de inquisitionibus, &c. in diversis com' ; in Scaccario ex parte Agard." " Com' Derb' ;" f. 89—93.

7. " Feoda militum et advocationes ecclesiarum quæ fuerunt Edmundi fratris Regis in com. Derb', 25 Edw. I. ;" f. 97—99.

8. " Feoda domini Henrici Comitis Lancastriæ, Derb' et Nott', de quibus levari fecit rationabile auxilium ad primogenitum filium militem faciendum, anno 4 Edw. III. ;" f. 100.

9. " Liber feodorum in Scaccario pro evidentiis et non pro recordo, sicut testificatur per Barones in Scaccario in inq. p. m. Johannis filii Thomæ de Huntercombe, anno 27 Edw. III., Bucks ;" f. 105—108.

10. " Feoda militum quæ tenentur in com' Nott' et Derb' qui habent brevia de habendo scutagio, 20 Hen. III. ;" f. 108 b.—114.

11. " Idem, qui *non* habent ;" f. 115—120.

12. Nomina villarum, 9 Edw. II., Notts et Derb. ; f. 121—127.

13. " Placita de quo warranto coram W. de Herle et sociis suis justiciariis domini Regis itiner' apud Derb' die Lunæ prox. post festum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, 4 Edw. III. ;" f. 129—145.

14. A few notes of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire descents ; f. 146.

15. A few slight notes out of Chancery and Exchequer records, touching the two counties ; f. 149.

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Notes chiefly out of the Evidences of Private Families in the county of York.

1. Charters from the chartulary of the priory of St. John of Pontefract; f. 1—6.

2. Notes out of the evidences of Cudworth of Eastfield, f. 7; Edward Armitage of Kerresforth, f. 8; Sir Gervas Cutler, f. 12; Robert Wood of Barnsley, f. 29; Kerresforth, f. 31; Arthur Longley of Dalton, f. 32; John Ramsden of Lassel Hall, f. 39; Richard Pilkington, f. 68; Richard Sykes, rector of Heton, f. 73; Thomas Finey, f. 73 b; Thomas Boswell of Newhall, f. 78; Richard Horsford, f. 79; George Thurgarland, f. 87; Thomas Thornhill, f. 96; Sir Richard Beaumont, f. 100—149.

3. A few notes from the charter rolls, &c. respecting grants of free warren and markets in the West Riding of Yorkshire; f. 72.

4. Inquisition at Wakefield, 27th March 19 Edward IV., concerning wastes, contempts, and other transgressions in the lordship of Wakefield; f. 84.

5. A rental of Almonbury; f. 85 b.

6. Descent of Annesley; f. 93 b.

7. Descent of Elland and Tankersley, from a visitation book; f. 94.

8. Notes out of the Nomina Villarum and Kirkby's inquest; f. 94 b.

9. "Out of Mr. Edward Hanson's notes;" f. 99 b.

—CXXXIV.—

Collections out of Records for Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire.

These were made by Saint Lowe Kniveton, from whose manuscript Dodsworth has transcribed them. They are taken from the fines, chartæ, placita, inquisitions, patent rolls, close rolls, and the originalia and memoranda of the Exchequer. There are a few notes from Burton's

history of Leicestershire at the end of the volume. It begins with f. 17.

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Collections chiefly out of CHARTERS and CHARTULARIES.

1. Notes from the book of Welbeck, in possession of the Earl of Kingston; f. 1—32.

2. Notes from the evidences of the Earl of Kingston; f. 33—36.

3. Notes, chiefly after Kniveton and Gascoign, out of charters; f. 37—56.

4. Notes from the evidences of John Maleverer of Letwell; f. 57—64.

5. Extracts from a chartulary of St. Peter of York, formerly in the office of the dean and chapter; f. 65.

6. Notes from the evidences of Christopher Clapham of Beamsley; f. 73.

7. Notes from the evidences of Nicholas Lynley of Farnley; f. 75.

8. Fragments of genealogy written down by Dodsworth from the information of living members of the respective families; viz. Lynley, Johnson, Clapham, Fisher, Beckwith, Calverley, Copley, Mote.

9. Notes out of the Chancery and Exchequer records; f. 81.

10. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Levett of Tixover; f. 83.

11. Notes from the evidences of the Pierrepoints; f. 87.

12. Inq. of Plumpton, 35 Hen. III.; f. 89.

13. A few notes out of a book of Mr. Fairfax Owen's; f. 91.

14. Notes out of the book of the abbey of Saint Peter and Saint Paul of Shrewsbury, in possession of Sir Henry Spelman; f. 91 b.

15. Descent of Corbet; f. 94 b.

16. Notes from the chartulary of St. John of Pontefract; f. 95 and 128 b.

17. Notes from the evidences of the family of Constable; f. 97—122.

18. Notes from the evidences of Sir Peter Middleton; f. 123 and 131.

19. Notes out of the book of Bolton; f. 130 b.

20. Notes from the evidences of Sir Tho. Vavasor; f. 132 b.

21. Notes from the chartulary of Ormsby, in the possession of —— Rokeby of Skires; f. 139—161.

22. A few notes from Camden's and Vincent's printed works; f. 161 b.

—CXXXVI.—

Collections from RECORDS, CHARTERS, and CHARTULARIES, like the preceding volume.

1. Notes after Kniveton, chiefly from placita and inquisitions; f. 1—42.

2. Notes out of the registers of the see of York, interspersed among the preceding.

3. Church notes at Borough Green in Cambridgeshire, Warsop and Cuckney in Notts.

4. Notes from evidences of the Earl of Kingston and —— Newton; f. 43 b.—48.

5. Notes from a chartulary of Pipewell; f. 49—82.

6. Notes from a chartulary of Selby in the registry of the chamber of the duchy of Lancaster; f. 85.

7. Copies of a few notes of Thinne out of records at the Tower; f. 89—93.

8. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Standish of Dukesbury; f. 95.

9. Notes from two books of fines in possession of Sir Henry Osborne the king's remembrancer, between the reigns of Edward II. and Edward IV., f. 97.

10. Further notes from the chartulary of St. John of Pontefract; f. 145—151.

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A large collection of ARMS found in many churches and gentlemen's houses, chiefly of Yorkshire.

This volume is not in Dodsworth's own hand. Much is from the visitation of 1585. A few monumental inscriptions are interspersed. At f. 86 b. are slight sketches of the descent of Kaye and Flower. The names of many of the churches and houses may be seen in the catalogue of 1697.

—CXXXVIII.—

Large extracts from a CHARTULARY of the HOUSE of ST. OSWALD of NOSTEL in the possession of Charles Fairfax of Menston, 1632.

At f. 59—61 and 161—165 are notes out of the book of St. John of Pontefract.

—CXXXIX.—

Miscellaneous collections chiefly from CHARTERS and CHARTULARIES.

1. Notes from the evidences of Robert Rockley of Rockley; f. 1—31. Thomas Barnby of Barnby; f. 33—72.

2. Notes from "a coucher of evidence belonging to Kilnhurst;" f. 73.

3. A few notes respecting the family of Clapham; f. 81.

4. Notes from the evidences of John Layburn of Skelmerthorpe in Westmorland; f. 81 b.

5. Descent of Fleming, Harrison, Vavasor, Ascough, Holt, Hansby, Smetheley, Ingleby, Bosvile. These are for the most part from the information of persons then living; f. 82—85.

6. A few early generations of Ridell and Basset; f. 86 b.

7. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Lord Fairfax; f. 89—126.

8. Notes of the descent of Beckwith; f. 126 b.

9. Notes out of the book of Barlings in possession of Sir Robert Cotton; f. 129.

10. A few slight notes, chiefly of wills, from the registers of Booth, Thoresby, Scrope, and William, Archbishops of York; f. 130—133.

11. Notes respecting Hunmanby and the parts of Yorkshire adjacent; f. 135 b.—141.

12. Notes from the evidences of Robert Sherburn of Little Mitton; f. 141 b.

13. Copies of three letters to Dodsworth; viz. Thomas Bosvile, 6th Nov. 1622, relating to the coheirs of Sims of Barnsley; Robert Mirfyn, 20th April 1634, asking for information respecting the descent of one third of the manor of Rawmarsh; and Gilbert Hoghton, 30th March 1634, concerning Little Darwent in Lancashire; f. 142.

14. Funeral certificate of Ralph Creyke of Marton, Esq., who died 27th July 1623, and of Richard Cholmley of Bransby, who died 21st March 1622; f. 143 b.

15. Descents of Ashton and Normanvile; f. 144 b.

16. Indenture between Richard Duke of Gloucester and the dean and chaplains of his college of Middleham, dated 1st Oct. 20 Edw. IV.; f. 145 b.

17. Slight descent of Thurland of Gamston, co. Notts, from Tho. Thurland, founder of the guild of the Holy Trinity in the church of St. Mary of Nottingham; f. 147.

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A volume of MISCELLANEOUS HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS.

1. List of monasteries in Yorkshire, with the dates of the foundation of many of them; f. 1.

2. List of sheriffs of Yorkshire from 1st Henry II. to the year 1623; f. 5—15.

3. Notice respecting a house of St. Helen's founded

about 1212 by William Basing Dean of St. Paul's, from Weever's *Ancient Funeral Monuments;* f. 16 b.

4. Collections towards a list of the sheriffs of Northumberland; f. 17—20.

5. A catalogue of the deans of St. Paul's in London found among Mr. Stowe's papers in Mr. Starchy's custody; f. 21—24.

6. Slight collections relating to archdeacons in the dioceses of Canterbury and York; f. 25—27.

7. Slight notes respecting the parish of Marr in Yorkshire; f. 28.

8. Collections towards a catalogue of the abbots and stewards of St. Mary of York; f. 28 b.—30.

9. A dictum of Fineux Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, from the annalia of Henry VII., Trin. Term, 12 Hen. VII.; f. 31.

10. A relation made by Sir Robert Cotton, proving that the lords and commons ought to join in any cause of judicature in parliament, &c.; f. 32—36.

11. "Of the name, office, and authority of an alderman of London, by York Herald;" f. 37.

12. "Of the title, dignity, and privilege of a knight batchelor," probably by the same; f. 37 b.

13. "Parks, forests, and chaces in the West Riding of Yorkshire;" f. 39—42. Ditto in North and East Ridings; f. 43.

14. Names of the stewards of the earls of Warren for their manor of Wakefield, from Wil. de Lyvet, in 10 Ric. I., to Will. Frank in 26 Edw. III.; f. 45.

15. Notes out of Cowell, Duchesne, and other authors; f. 48 b.—78. With remarks of Dodsworth interspersed; the most remarkable of which is a note, at f. 72 b., of the foundation of the free school at Skirlaw in Holderness by Marmaduke Langdale, about the seventh or eighth of King James.

16. "Beneficia ad collationem archiepiscopi Ebor' spectantia," after which follows a list of the churches in the

diocese with the names of the patrons, made about the time of the Reformation; f. 80—96.

17. A chronicle upon paper, eleven leaves closely written, from 1298 to the death of King Richard II., about which time it was written: *Anno gratiæ* 1298 *floruit Sanctus Ludovicus* . . . . .; f. 98—109.

18. Inq. p. m. of John Duke of Britaine and Earl of Richmond, 15 Edw. III.; f. 110—115.

19. Inq. p. m. of Ralph Earl of Westmorland, 4 Hen. VI., and of Joan Countess of Westmorland, 19 Hen. VI.; f. 116—148.

20. "Prosopopœia, or a conference held at Angelo Castle between the pope, the emperor, and the king of Spain;" a printed poetical tract consisting of three leaves.

21. "The description of Yorkshire, by Jo. Speed;" f. 149 ad finem.

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MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS chiefly out of RECORDS and CHARTERS.

1. Notes from the Liber Rubeus of the Exchequer, made from a transcript in the custody of Mr. Henry Lilly, 1633; f. 1—40.

2. Notes out of Sir Robert Cotton's book of seals in Mr. Lilly's custody, 1633; f. 41—51. In the preparation of this book the register of Godstow and the book of Lilleshal were used, also the barons letter to the pope in 1300.

3. Slight notes of the descent of Constable; f. 48 b.

4. Notes out of the collections of Glover, Somerset; f. 51 b.

5. Notes out of charters of the abbey of Dor; f. 52 b.

6. Notes out of the chronicle of Llanthony in Wales; f. 53 b.

7. Notes out of the history of the monastery del Park de Stanley; f. 54 b.

8. Various notes of charters and seals, which may seem to be taken out of Sir Rob. Cotton's book above mentioned; f. 55—71.

9. "De serjantiis arrentatis per Robertum de Passelewe, temp. Hen. III.;" f. 71 b.

10. "Recepta per Robertum de Furnello, anno 20 Hen. III.;" f. 73—77.

11. Notes out of the charters of Sir Christopher Hatton; f. 78.

12. Extracts from Mr. Bradshaw's abstracts of pleas in the time of King John; f. 79—109.

13. Note of the descent of Cauz, from the Ragman Roll, temp. Hen. III.; f. 110.

14. Note of the foundation of the hospital of Gaunt near Bristol; f. 110 b.

15. A few miscellaneous charters; f. 111.

16. Notes from the evidences of Henry Caldecote of Basingfield, co. Notts; f. 113.

17. Descent of Briewere, Holland, and Thweng, with illustrations from the records; f. 116—121.

18. Notes from the chartulary of Ramsey in possession of Sir Henry Spelman; f. 121 b.

19. On the foundation of the two Scottish archbishopricks; f. 123.

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21. Slight notes of descent of Grey of Codnor; f. 133.

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COLLECTIONS out of RECORDS, CHARTERS, and CHARTULARIES relating to LANCASHIRE.

1. From the register of the priory of Burscough in the office of the duchy; f. 1—8.

2. From the evidences of Sir Gilbert Hoghton, Bart. f. 9—66.

3. Miscellaneous Lancashire charters; f. 66 b.—85.

4. Copy of receit, signed Tho. Hobby, given to Tho. Standish, Esq., in 22 Hen. VII., for seven pounds, a fine for not having taken the order of the Bath at the creation of Prince Henry; f. 89.

5. Remarkable monumental inscription of Sir Thomas Langton, K. B., Baron of Newton Mackerfeld, who died in 1604; f. 89.

6. Notes from the evidences of Tho. Hoghton of Pendleton; f. 90—95.

7. Slight notes from the court rolls of Wakefield, Domesday, &c.; f. 96.

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8. Notes from the evidences of Rob. Hesketh of Rufforth; f. 105—112; Edward Calveley, f. 113—117.

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10. Notes from the evidences of Tho. Kirkby; f. 125.

11. Slight descent of the Lancasters; f. 125 b.

12. Slight descent of the family of Norfolk of Barnsley; f. 126.

13. Notes from the evidences of Ralph Ashton of Middleton, f. 129—149; Mr. Talbot of the Carr, f. 153—155; John Holcroft of Marton, f. 161—172; Richard Bold of Bold, f. 193—220.

14. Charters relating to North Meles and Burton Wood and Wydnes; f. 225—247.

15. A memorandum that the south quire of the chapel of Farnworth was built by William Smith, founder of Brazennose College, Oxford; f. 224 b.

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Charters of Edmund Kighley of Goldsborough, Esq.

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deposit of three different chartularies of the abbey of Fountains.

—CXLIV.—

EXTRACTS from the CHARTULARIES of BOLTON and HAVERHOLM.

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5. Descent of Bradston, from Mr. Chaloner's book; f. 37 b.

6. Miscellaneous notes from the evidences of Marm. Constable of Everingham, the chartulary of Cockersand, charters of Mowbray and Colvile to Byland, with genealogical notes respecting Tempest, Paganel, De la Pole, and other families; f. 38—54.

7. Charters of Lisle, from the chartulary of Selby; f. 55.

8. Slight notes of religious foundations in Lancashire, Durham, and Yorkshire; f. 56.

9. Slight notes of the descent of Mauduit, Bertram, Percy, Conyers; f. 58.

10. Notes out of Vincent, and Burton's History of Leicestershire; f. 59—66. See also f. 33 b., 75.

11. Notes out of a manuscript of Hoveden's chronicle in the possession of Samuel Roper of Derbyshire; f. 67.

12. A pardon from Pope Boniface, dated 7 June 1391, granted to Sir Gerard Braybrook, and found in his coffin 1 June 1608, when digging the grave for Sir Richard Swale; f. 68.

13. Slight genealogical and other notes of Pigot, Nevil, Gascoign, Palmer; f. 69.

14. Notes out of a book on the stations and indulgences of the church of Rome; f. 70.

15. Notes from the evidences of Mr. Washington of Adwick; f. 71.

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17. Arms above the tomb of Lord Hunsden in Westminster abbey; f. 74 b.

18. Foundation charter of Abingdon; f. 75.

19. Grants by Richard I. to Alan de Valoniis, and of John to Roger de Montbegon, of lands in Yorkshire; f. 78 b.

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22. Descent of Lacy and Harrington; f. 82.

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27. Foundation of the abbey of Ramsay, out of the life of St. Oswald in the *Legenda Sanctorum;* f. 87.

28. Latin lines from the second coucher of Furnese abbey at the duchy office, relating to the composition of the book; f. 88.

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31. A few notes out of records at the Tower; f. 91 b., f. 97.

32. Grant of Walton from H. de Laci; f. 92.

33. Extracts from the book of Whitby abbey; f. 92.

34. Slight genealogical notes, Latimer, Tempest, Gernet; f. 95.

35. Notes out of the chartulary of Cockersand; f. 96.

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51. " Feoda militum domini Radulphi de Nevill de manerio suo de Shiref Hoton;" f. 125—129.

52. Notes from inq. p. m. of William Lord Roos, 27 Edw. III.; f. 129 b.

53. " Feoda justiciarii forestæ de Galtres;" f. 130.

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2. Notes out of another book of law annals in the custody of Edward Gibson, Esq.; f. 41, 42, 45 b.—48, 96 b., 98. These are chiefly of the reign of Edward III.

3. " In a coucher of evidence belonging to several houses of the Saviles, in the possession of Sir Henry Savile;" f. 43, 44.

4. A large collection of historical and genealogical

notes out of placita in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I.; f. 49—88.

5. Charters of the family of Everingham; f. 89—96.

6. "Feoda Normanniæ," from Duchesne; f. 99—101.

7. Notes out of records relating to Thomas of Brotherton; f. 101 b.

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9. List of the chancellors of the duchy of Lancaster from the first erection of the duchy to the present time; f. 107.

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13. Genealogical notices of the founders of Barnwell, of Pigot, &c.; f. 37.

14. Barons summoned to parliament, 49 Hen. III.; f. 37 b.

15. Note respecting the death of Prince Arthur, from the chronicle of Ralph Niger in the library of Trinity College, Cambridge; f. 38 b.

16. Descents of Gernet, Beauchamp, Peverel; f. 41 b.

17. A leaf containing several Latin epigrams; f. 43.

18. A large collection of drafts of seals; f. 44—75.

19. Extracts from the chartulary of Monk Bretton, in possession of Sir William Armine; f. 76—81.

20. A few topographical notes in Lancashire; f. 100.

21. Descent of Paganel; f. 103 b.

22. Slight attempt at a classification of various English monasteries; f. 105.

23. Topographical notes and slight church notes at Gainsborough, Gisburn, Mitton, Mattersey, Belton, Nockton, Wakefield, Doncaster, Marr; f. 107—119.

24. Notes out of the close rolls of the reign of Henry III.; f. 120—131.

Interspersed are various extracts from Camden and other authors, whose works are printed.

—CXLVIII.—

Transcripts from writings of the family of Plumpton of Plumpton in Yorkshire.

This volume consists of two parts:—1. Copies of evidences, many of which are very curious and important, being illustrative of ancient usages or connected with public affairs. 2. Copies of the correspondence of the family from the reign of King Henry VII. Some of these are on public affairs, others relating to the private concerns of the family. At f. 79 are inserted pedigrees of Tempest of Broughton and Eltofts of Farnhill.

—CXLIX.—

Collections for the County of Lancaster.

1. Notes from the evidences of John Osbaldeston, son of Sir Edward; f. 1—62.

2. Foundation of the priory of St. Mary of Lancaster; f. 63.

3. Inq. p. m. of John Laurens, 5 Hen. VII.; f. 65.

4. Bounds of Clifton; f. 67.

5. Monument of Scarisbrick at Ormskirk; f. 68.

6. Notes from the evidences of Richard Crichley of Rigmaden-house, f. 68 b.; Robert Plessington of Dimples, f. 72 b.; William Travers of Neatby, f. 75.

7. Notes out of a survey of the duchy of Lancaster, 20 Edw. III.; f. 79.

8. Church notes at Rufford, and collections for the family of Hesketh of that place; f. 81.

9. Slight collections for descent of Hornby; f. 85.

10. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Kirkby of Rawcliffe, f. 85 b.; Thomas Kirkby of Upper Ancliffe, f. 91; Sir James Bellingham, f. 103.

11. Notes from a book of Lancashire tenures; f. 105.

12. Descent of Tildesley, Sherburn, Hoghton, Skillicorne, and Travers, f. 106; Greenacres, f. 111.

13. Notes from inquisitions and other public records respecting Lancashire; f. 108—111.

14. Notes from the evidences of Will. Butler of Rawcliffe; f. 114—121.

15. Extracts from the chartulary of Cockersand in possession of Tho. Dalton of Thurnham; f. 122—133.

16. Notes from the evidences of Robert Strickland of Syser and Thomas Middleton of Leighton; f. 135—149.

17. Notes out of a register of the muniments of John del Bothe of Barton, written in 5 Henry IV.; f. 150—165.

18. Slight notes of descent of Byron; f. 165 b.

—CL.—

TENURES in YORKSHIRE, from a book belonging to Tho. Wood, Esq., escheator.

1. Extracts from the patent rolls in the reigns of Henry VIII., Edward VI., Mary, and Elizabeth to the 21st year of her reign, of grants of lands in the county of York; f. 1—64.

2. Further collections of tenures in the said county, collected out of inquisitions and other records, from the time of Henry VII. to the 24th of Elizabeth; f. 65—135.

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—CLI.—

This volume consists of two distinct parts:—1. Copies of charters from the chartulary of St. JOHN of PONTEFRACT. 2. Charters relating to the FAMILY of DODWORTH or DODSWORTH.

The latter are transcribed from the evidences of Hawkhirst in Dodworth, Edward Armitage of Kerresforth, Thomas Cudworth of Eastfield, Sir Gervas Cutler, Sir Henry Savile, and a chartulary of Monk Bretton.

—CLII.—

Miscellaneous Historical Collections.

1. Notes out of placita of Henry III.; f. 1—6.

2. Licence to Stephen Tucker to wear his hat in the presence of the king's officers, 10 Henry VIII.; f. 7.

3. Singular tenures or customs of manors; f. 7 b.

4. Final concords respecting lands in Yorkshire, temp. Hen. III. and Edw. III.; f. 9—20.

5. Extracts from an Abbreviatio Placitorum, Edw. I. to Henry IV., Yorkshire and Lancashire; f. 21—50.

6. Notes from final concords, placita, and Domesday; f. 51—62.

7. Collections out of a book of placita temp. Edw. I.; f. 63—104.

8. Attempt at a classification of the Yorkshire monasteries; f. 105.

9. Notes out of charters in the Roche abbey chest in St. Mary's tower; f. 107—123.

10. Collections for the history of the Lacies; f. 123 b.

11. Collections for a list of the sheriffs of Yorkshire; f. 125.

12. Extracts from the book of St. Oswald and the charters of Robert Drax, respecting the family of Bosvile; f. 126.

13. Extracts from an antient roll in which were transcribed 219 charters relating to the priory of Blythe in Nottinghamshire; f. 128—143.

14. Notes from the evidences of Thomas Lewis of Marr concerning Hampole and the family of Cressi; f. 144—149.

15. A few notes from placita; f. 149 b.

16. Extracts from the book of Abingdon in the Cotton library; f. 152.

17. Writ from Edward the King to John de Fenton and John de Oglethorpe to array the men of Barkston wapentake against the Scots, dated at Northallerton 13th June in the 1st of his reign; f. 154.

18. Notes from the evidences of William Oglethorpe; f. 155 b.

19. Church notes at Exton in Rutlandshire; f. 159.

20. Descent of Bigod and other earls, slight; f. 161.

21. Charter relating to Kirkby Overblows; f. 162 b.

22. Notes out of Kirkby's inquest; f. 164 and 174.

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24. Church notes and other collections for the parish of Normanton; f. 168—173.

25. Notes from the evidences of Robert Morton of Morton; f. 174 b.—191.

26. Slight notes out of records; f. 193 b.

27. A list of the Knights of the Bath made at the coronation of King Charles I.; f. 195.

28. Lines over the door of Haldenby Hall in Northamptonshire; f. 196 b.

29. Notes out of an old roll in possession of the Earl of Kingston; f. 199.

A few extracts from Fox, Rainer, Vincent, and other printed authors interspersed.

—CLIII.—

Miscellaneous collections out of Records and Charters.

1. Notes respecting Yorkshire out of an Abbreviatio Placitorum, 1—7 Edw. II.; f. 1—34.

2. Notes from inquisitions; f. 34—38.

3. Notes from a roll in the treasury at Westminster containing forest charters; f. 38 b.—39.

4. Notes from close rolls and placita; f. 39 b.

5. Notes out of a chartulary concerning duchy lands; f. 43 b.

6. Extracts from Mr. Henry Lillie's transcripts of charters of Llanthony abbey; f. 45.

7. Notes out of the register of Peterborough, in the Cotton library; f. 46.

8. Church notes at Farnworth and Newchurch in Lancashire; f. 46.

9. Transcripts of miscellaneous Lancashire charters, f. 47.

10. Slight notes from the visitations of Yorkshire; f. 51, 138.

11. Charters from the evidences of the abbey of Suleby, co. Northamp., in possession of Sir Christopher Hatton; f. 52.

12. A few genealogies of Lancashire families, Nevil, Butler, Berkley, Buckton, Scarisbrick, Stanley, Hesketh, Clayton, Pickering; f. 52 b.—58.

13. Notes concerning the arms of Bayhous of Lincolnshire; f. 58 b.

14. Extracts from the chartulary of the hospital of St. John and St. James of Royston, in possession of John Wildbore of Foxton; f. 61—64.

15. Notes out of M. Paris; f. 65—70, 142.

16. Notes out of the evidences of Thomas Singleton of Steyning, f. 73—76; John Atherton of Atherton, f. 81—102.

17. A printed genealogy of the kings of Sweden; f. 113—118.

18. Notes out of deeds in the chancery office, Lancaster; f. 120—136.

19. Descent of the Earls of Arundel; f. 143 b.

20. "Vita Sanctæ Margaretæ Reginæ Scotorum;" f. 144. *Mortuo Edmundo Rege, &c.*

21. Notes respecting the birth place of several bishops and other considerable persons; f. 150—152 and f. 164.

22. Notes out of Bale's catalogue and the *Legenda Sanctorum;* f. 153—161.

23. A few inscriptions from abroad; f. 162.

24. Account of Thomas Stones of London, haberdasher, a Lancashire benefactor; f. 163 b.

25. Extracts from the book of law annals belonging to Mr. Gibson of York; f. 172—174.

26. Slight collections out of the placita; f. 180—183.

—CLIV.—

This volume consists for the most part of a confused assemblage of NOTES out of PLACITA, INQUISITIONS, FINAL CONCORDS, the ORIGINALIA, &c. apparently copied from SAINT LOWE KNIVETON's collections. They extend to f. 88.

After them are,

1. A catalogue of justices of Chester, collected by John Bothe of Twemlow; f. 89.

2. Miscellaneous notes out of Domesday Book, Ingulphus, &c., of no moment; f. 90—97.

3. Notes out of the evidences of Sir Peter Freschvile of Staveley; f. 98—102.

4. Miscellaneous notes out of records; f. 103, 111—113.

5. Descent of Ashley of Dorsetshire; f. 105.

6. Slight and hasty notes from the evidences of Lord Dunbar, Lord Falconberg, Sir James Bellingham, and from the court rolls of Knaresborough; f. 106—110.

7. Extracts from a book of charters belonging to Sir John Byron; f. 121—126.

8. Slight notes of charters and descent of Fitton; f. 127—131.

9. Charters from the book of Peterborough; f. 132 b. —134.

—CLV.—

Notes chiefly from the EVIDENCES of GENTLEMEN of YORKSHIRE.

The persons out of whose evidences these notes are gathered, are Stephen Hammerton of Hellefield Peel, f. 1—8; Robert Hartley of Styrkhouse, f. 9; Drax of Woodhall, f. 69—76; Sir Francis Wortley, f. 77—80; William Scoley of Scoley, f. 81; Boniface Savage of Pontefract, f. 83; Francis Burdet of Birthwaite, f. 88; Sir John Biron, f. 90; Sir John Ramsden of Longley, f. 97; Charles Fairfax of Menston, f. 104—113 and

f. 115—120; —— Wentworth of Wolley, f. 122; —— Lister of Westby, f. 123—137; Henry Grice of Sandal, f. 141—145; Richard Beaumont of Mirfield, f. 147 b.—161; Sir William Lister of Thornton, f. 164—177.

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1. Charters of the house of Salley; f. 10—17.

2. Extracts from a chartulary of Pontefract, f. 18; and of Monk Bretton, f. 23, 67; from another chartulary of the same house, f. 61—66.

3. A few notes concerning the descent of the family of Wortley; f. 60.

4. Notes out of charters relating to Dodworth and Anstan; f. 88 b.

5. Etymological notes after Sir Edward Coke; f. 91—93.

6. Notes out of a rental of a bailiff of Pontefract, 6 Hen. VI.; f. 100.

7. Mode of celebrating Yule at York; f. 114.

8. Notice of the church of Ashton-under-Line; f. 114 b.

9. Further extracts from the roll of Blythe; f. 139.

10. Extracts from a coucher of Simon Bozon, prior of Norwich, respecting a fasting woman, and references to parallel instances; f. 140.

11. Charter of Will. de Nevil, of early date; f. 147.

12. Notes from "Registrum evidentiarum Christophori Radclyffe;" f. 180—193.

—CLVI.—

Extracts from CHARTULARIES of the ABBIES of SAINT MARY of YORK and of FOUNTAINS.

1. Extracts from a chartulary of Saint Mary in Saint Mary's tower; f. 1—64. Amongst these extracts is a copy of the Nomina Villarum, 9 Edw. II., for the wapentakes of Holderness, Harthill, Dickering, Bucros, Rydal, Birdforth, Aynstie, and the liberty of Howden; f. 62—64.

2. Extracts from another chartulary of the same house, preserved in the same place; f. 65—102.

3. Notes from a chartulary of Fountains, formerly in the custody of Dame Honor Proctor; now, 1630, in Saint Mary's tower; f. 113—132.

4. Notes out of a chartulary of Fountains, in possession of Sir Robert Cotton; f. 140—143.

The volume contains also,

5. Notes out of Kirkby's inquest; f. 102 b.—112 and f. 137—139.

6. Further notes out of the Nomina Villarum, 9 Edw. II.; f. 133—136.

7. Notes from a register of the diocese of York during vacancies of the see; f. 145—152.

8. Collections towards a list of abbots of Saint Mary; fly leaf.

—CLVII.—

Miscellaneous Historical Collections.

1. "Historia fundationum diversorum monasteriorum et ecclesiarum per nobilissimam Laceiorum familiam;" f. 1—4. A few quarto leaves, in an early hand, given to Dodsworth by John Stanhope, Esq.: *Memorandum quod tempore Ethelberti . . . . . de quo processit Henricus Sextus Rex Angliæ.*

2. Church notes at York, roughly and hastily made; f. 6—29.

3. Notes made in St. Mary's tower, York; f. 30—33.

4. Notes out of placita; f. 34—48, 70—74.

5. A few slight miscellaneous notes out of records; f. 50.

6. Evidence of a chantry in the chapel of Rokedene in the parish of Winwick; f. 52 b., 76.

7. Notes after Saint Lowe Kniveton, similar to those in former volumes; f. 56—69.

8. Three charters respecting lands at Huddersfield; f. 75.

9. List of baronies; fly leaf.

—CLVIII.—

CATALOGUE of BARONS and of RELIGIOUS HOUSES.

1. "Baronum in Angliâ nomina ordine alphabetico disposita; non solum illorum qui per brevia Regis et litteras ejus patentes insignuntur, sed etiam illorum qui tresdecim feoda militum et tertiam partem unius feodi militis, secundum sententiam per professorem juris civilis, tenebant, [sic] ex authenticis quam plurimis collectæ per ROGERUM DODSWORTH, Eboracensem." This catalogue is enriched by references to other volumes in his collections, and to authors.

2. An alphabet of all the monasteries and religious houses in England, according to Speed's collections.

3. Table of the descent of Nevil.

4. The priories alien in England, arranged in counties.

5. Slight notes relating to the foundation of various religious houses.

—CLIX.—

Notes out of CHARTULARIES of RELIGIOUS HOUSES, especially the chartulary of WHALLEY in Lancashire.

1. From the book of Saint John of Pontefract; f. 7.

2. "De statu de Blakbornshire," from the charters of Sir Ralph Ashton of Whalley; f. 9—13.

3. "In a transcript of a small chronicle of the Lacies, in the custody of Mr. Roos, keeper of the records at Pontefract castle;" f. 14 b.

4. From an ancient manuscript in possession of Richard Laci, Esq.; f. 15—24. This relates to transactions of the Lacies and Warrens.

5. Charters of the house of St. John of Pontefract; f. 27—43.

6. Large and curious extracts from the chartulary of the abbey of Whalley, in custody of Sir Ralph Ashton; f. 44—113, 127 b.—129.

7. Abstracts of many charters of the abbey of Whitby; f. 114—127.

8. Extracts from the chartulary of Burlington, in possession of Sir James Bellingham, f. 130—174; other charters of that house, f. 174—177; evidences of Sir James Bellingham, f. 180.

9. Extract from a chartulary of Hepp alias Shapp in Westmorland, in the hands of Lord William Howard; f. 181—187.

10. Notes from evidences relating to those parts of Westmorland; f. 188—197.

11. Charters relating to Blubberhouses; f. 198—202.

12. Collections relating to Sir John Sampson of York; f. 204—209.

13. Memoranda of the families of Rocliffe and Sothill; f. 210.

14. Extract from the chartulary of Waltham abbey, in Dodsworth's own possession; f. 212—217.

15. Further notes from the chartulary of Whalley; f. 217 b.—219.

16. Notes from a rental of the cell of Saint Martin near Richmond; f. 220—227.

17. Extracts from a catalogue of saints, by Peter de Natalibus; f. 227 b.

At the beginning of the volume are a few extracts from Duchesne; f. 1—6.

—CLX.—

A large body of CHURCH NOTES made at different times by Dodsworth, chiefly in the county of York, but a few in other counties, with many topographical and other notes interspersed.

The churches visited by him are specified in the catalogue of 1697.

—CLXI.—

" Epitaphs out of the metropolitical church and all the other parochial churches within the most famous and ancient city of York, most faithfully collected by me Roger Dodsworth, the xiith of February anno Domini 1618."

This thin volume was presented to the library in 1736 by Francis Drake of York.

Since the preceding account of the life of Dodsworth was printed, I have been favoured with a sight of his will, which was proved before the commissioners for the probate of wills on November 30, 1654. It contains very authentic and valuable information respecting both the collection of manuscripts and the printed Monasticon.

It bears date June 30, 1654, and the testator describes himself as " of Bickerstaff in the county of Lancaster, esquire." He was then weak and infirm of body, but of good and perfect memory. He desires to be buried in the chapel of Rufford " so near to the place where my late loving wife Holcroft Dodsworth was buried as conveniently may be;" and he then proceeds thus: " Whereas the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Fairfax of Denton, my singular good lord and patron, has of his free love and favour given unto me the said Roger Dodsworth one yearly annuity of fifty pounds of current English money for the term of my life; as also of the like kindness to me since promised unto me to confirm the said yearly payment to my executors, administrators, and assigns for three years next after my death, for satisfying of a debt which his honour very well knows I stand bound to pay to the Lady Wentworth, which I hope my honourable lord will perform accordingly, without any doubt in any wise; whose favour, furtherance, and assistance I have likewise found in the printing of a work of mine called *Monasticon Anglicanum*, as also in divers other respects. And in order to part of my thankfulness to his honour, I do hereby give and

bequeath unto my said honourable and my good lord all and every my manuscripts, abbey couchers, and rolls, which I have marked with several marks of distinctions, together with all my parchment rolls and papers which I have in my study in his lordship's house, called York House, in London, and in Lancashire, and in Robert Fitz Randolf's house in York; humbly praying, that the said books may be dedicated to his honour, with an everlasting acknowledgment of his goodness, favour, and kindness to me in carrying on the aforesaid work. And also I desire and pray that my ever honoured friend John Rushworth, esquire, would be pleased at my request, among many other his courtesies, to see the same dedication compassed accordingly, who hath distributed divers sums of moneys in way of furtherance of the work aforesaid, which is very well known to my good friend Mr. William Dugdale, whose advice also I crave, and desire that he would be pleased to lend his assistance for the framing the said epistle and dedication accordingly. Item, I desire that my ever loving friend Mr. Rushworth would be pleased to see all such sums of money which he, myself, or any other hath advanced towards the printing of my said book, together with what other sums are or shall be advanced either by myself or any other person or persons for that end and purpose, may be in a particular accompted and set down in writing, as also satisfied and discharged in the first place; and after the same is raised upon and out of the profits of the said book, which done, then it is my will and mind that the remainder and residue thereof shall be paid as hereafter is expressed." He then makes certain distributions of this and other property among his children, giving to his son Robert his gold ring, which was the signet of Matthew Dodsworth esquire, his father. He directs that copies of his work when printed shall be given to his brother Mr. Edward Dodsworth, and also to Mr. Stannough, parson of Aughton in Lancashire, Mr. Perkins of Bramwith near Doncaster in Yorkshire, John Hewley esquire, of the city of York, his grandchild Roger

Dodsworth, his cousin John Pleasington, and his grandchild Robert Angsdell. He makes Richard Westhead, of the Westhead in the county of Lancaster, his executor, and desires that his son-in-law Thomas Angsdell will assist him. The executor declined to act, and a commission issued to Robert Dodsworth, the son, for the administration.

One thing plainly appears from this will, that Dodsworth up to the time of his death considered the Monasticon as his own work, over which he had the sole control; and it appears to be some injustice to his memory that posterity should have allowed another name, however respected and eminent, to have interfered between him and the credit of having produced a work which takes so high a place in the literature of his country.

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THE collection of manuscripts in the library of Lincoln's Inn is composed of four distinct collections, together with manuscripts which have been added singly or in small masses.

The whole number is 486, nearly all of which relate to record, law, or history.

The four distinct collections are those of —

I. Sir MATTHEW HALE, the learned Chief Justice of the King's Bench, who bequeathed the manuscripts to this Society by the following clause in his will: "As a testimony of my honour and respect to the Society of Lincoln's Inn, where I had the greatest part of my education, I give and bequeath to that honourable Society the several manuscript books contained in a schedule annexed to my will. They are a treasure worth the having and keeping, which I have been near forty years in gathering with very great industry and expense. My desire is that they be kept safe and altogether in remembrance of me. They were fit to be bound in leather and chained, and kept in archives. I desire they may not be lent out or disposed of; only if I happen hereafter to have any of my posterity of that

Society that desires to transcribe any book, and gives very good security to restore it again within a prefixed time, such as the benchers of that Society in council shall approve of, then and not otherwise shall only one book at one time be lent out to them by the Society. They are a treasure not fit for every man's view, nor is every man capable of making use of them. Only I would have nothing of these books printed, but entirely preserved together for the use of the industrious learned members of that worthy Society."

The schedule annexed to Sir Matthew Hale's will, according to a certified copy from the Prerogative Office of the Court of Canterbury.

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Placita de Banco, 1—21 Edwardi I.; 1 vol.

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The principal matters in the Close and Patent Rolls of Henry III., transcribed verbatim from 9 Hen. III. to 56 Hen. III.; vellum, marked K. L.; 5 vols.

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Close Rolls from 17 to 38 Edwardi III.; 2 vols.

Close and Patent Rolls from 40 to 50 Edw. III.; 1 vol. marked B.

Close Rolls of Edw. II., with other records marked R.; 1 vol.

Close and Patent Rolls and Charter Rolls, in the time of King John, for the clergy; 1 vol.

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Petitions in parliament temp. Edw. I., II., et III., et Hen. IV.; 3 vols.

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The parliament rolls from the beginning of Edward I. to the end of Richard III. in 19 vols. (viz. 1 of Edward I., 1 of Edward II., with the ordinations, 2 of Edward III., 3 of Richard II., 2 of Henry IV., 2 of Henry V., 4 of Henry VI., 3 of Edward IV., 1 of Richard III.; all transcribed at large.)

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Two large repertories of records, marked A and B.

All those above are in folio and in paper.

The proceedings of the forests of Wyndsor, Deane, and Essex; in quarto, 1 vol.

Those that follow are most of them in vellum or parchment.

Two books of old statutes, one ending 3 Hen. VII., the other 2 Hen. V., with the sums; 2 vols.

Iter Northampton, Nott., et Derb.; 1 vol.

Five last years of Edward II.; 1 vol.

Reports, temp. Edw. II.; 1 vol.

The year book of R. II., and some other; 1 vol.

An old chronicle from the creation to Edw. III.; 1 vol.

A mathematical book, especially optiques; 1 vol.

A Dutch book of geometry and fortification.

Marci Beneventani geometria; 1 vol.

Reports, temp. Edw. I. under titles; 1 vol.

An old register and some pleas; 1 vol.

Bernardi Breydenbachi peregrinatio; 1 vol.

Iter Kantiæ et London', and some reports, temp Edw. I. et II.; 1 vol.

Legier book abbathiæ de Bello.

Isidori opera.

Liber altercationis et christianæ philosophiæ contra paganos.

Historia Petri Manducatoris.

Horicii astronomia.

Historia ecclesiæ Dunelmensis.

Holandi chimica.

De alchimia scriptores.

The Black Book of the New Law, collected by me and digested into alphabetical titles, written with my own hand, which is the original copy.

II. John Maynard Esquire, the king's serjeant in the reign of Charles II., and in the reign of William and Mary one of the commissioners of the great seal. These manuscripts after passing through various hands, and remaining for many years in a very neglected state, were purchased by the society in pursuance of a resolution of a special council held on June 3, 1818.

III. John Coxe Esquire, a bencher of the Inn, by whom they were bequeathed to this society. They were placed in the library in the spring of 1785, after Mr. Coxe's decease.

IV. George Hill Esquire, serjeant at law, of whose executors they were purchased by the society, under an order of council, 6th July 1808.

Each of these collections will be found in the ensuing catalogue described apart. There is also —

V. A Department containing manuscripts which have been the gifts of various benefactors, some of whom lived before and some after the time when the library became enriched by the munificent bequest of Sir Matthew Hale.

The only printed catalogue of any of the manuscripts in this library is that made by Philipp Stubbs, fellow of Wadham College, Oxford, inserted in the folio volume published in 1697, entitled *Catalogi librorum manuscriptorum Angliæ et Hiberniæ.* One hundred and ninety-two manuscripts only are there noticed, and the notices are exceedingly brief, the whole filling no more than three folio pages. They are numbered in that catalogue I—CXCII. An erroneous impression has prevailed that all the manuscripts described in that catalogue were Sir Matthew Hale's, and therefore all subject to the restrictions imposed by his will. Under this impression there has been recently written in each of the volumes thus described, in a large hand, "Hale's Manuscripts." In the following catalogue, all which can certainly be shown to have belonged to the chief justice are placed under his name, together with a few concerning which the evidence is not quite satisfactory. The rest are thrown into the class of the gifts of various benefactors. Some manuscripts named in the catalogue of 1697 are not now to be found.

It may be proper to observe that the numbers placed in brackets are those of the catalogue of 1697, and that when documents lie in series, and are said to be, for instance, from 20 Edward I.—7 Edward II., it is meant that both these years are included.

I. The Manuscripts of Sir Matthew Hale.

I. (I.)

A large folio on vellum, of the fourteenth century, containing a Latin version of the Holy Scriptures, probably the Vulgate. In many parts the margins were filled with annotations, which have been deleted; towards the end several leaves have been cut out, probably for the sake of the illuminated letters.

II. (II.)

A folio on vellum, of the fifteenth century, containing Jerome's version of the Scriptures, with many beautiful and some singular illuminations.

III a. (XXXVIII.) III b. (III.)

Two thick volumes in folio, without title, table of contents, or index, containing copies made for Sir Matthew Hale from the Communia of the Exchequer, beginning with Hilary term 1 Edward III. and ending with Easter term 46 Edward III. The copies in these books are, for the most part, of entries in the communia which relate to the prerogative of the crown, or which throw light on the history of the constitution and on the practice of the court of Exchequer.

IV. (IV.)

Extracts, in a modern hand, from PLACITA coram domino rege, 1—22 Edward II. At the end is a brief index to points adjudicated.

V. (V.)

Modern transcripts of PETITIONES IN PARLIAMENTO for the years following; viz.

6 Edw. I., 2 Edw. II., 18 and 19 Edw. II., 4 Edw. III., 12 Edw. III., 21 and 22 Edw. III., 2 Edw. III., 4 Edw. III., 8 Edw. III., 2 Hen. IV., 4 Hen. IV., 9 Hen. V. At the end of the volume is a slight notice of points determined.

VI. (VI.)

Collections out of records relating to the MILITARY DEFENCE OF THE REALM, disposed under the following heads :—

Musters and soldiers.
Providing of ships and barges for the defence of the state and foreign expeditions.
Imbarking of ships.
Defence, invasion, and sea-coasts guarding.
Defence of the state.
Prayers.
Rumours.
Castles and forts.
Attendance in war.
Misdemeanors of officers.
Survey of armour.
Armour, &c. for the war.
Victuals for war.
Provision of money for war.
Wages.
The rate of wages by the day.
Service.
Officiarii belli.
Foreign expeditions.
Protections.
Confederations.
Aydeing.
Strangers retained.
Safe conducts.
Not to aid, &c.
Not to trade, &c.
Repairing of wrongs.
Letters of reprisal.
Arresting of goods, &c.
Truces.

Under each of these heads is a valuable and often large collection of extracts from records. There are added,

Ordinances for war at the treaty and council of Maunce.

Other ordinances made by the Earl of Salisbury.

VII. (VII.)

Similar collections relating to AFFAIRS IN THE TIME OF PEACE. They are disposed under the following heads:

Navigation and sea coast.

Accusations and complaints.

The household.

Debts and loans.

Aid, subsidies, contributions.

Bound up with these collections is a treatise by Sir ROBERT COTTON, entitled "A list of all confederates with England from Henry I. to King James."

VIII. (VIII.)

Extracts, in a modern hand, from records at the Tower concerning TREATIES WITH FOREIGN POWERS. The rolls from which this volume contains extracts are,

Alemanniæ: 21—31 Edw. I.; 18 Edw. II.; 11, 12, and 14 Edw. III.

Patent: 27 & 31 Edw. I.; 14 Edw. II.; 1 & 2 Edw. III.

Vasconiæ: 2, 4, 8, 12, 28, 29, and 31 Edw. III.

Scotiæ: 10, 14, 22, 28, and 29 Edw. III.

Franciæ: 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, and 32 Edw. III.

IX. X. (IX.)

These two volumes are what are thus described by Sir Matthew Hale in the schedule annexed to his will: "Transcripts out of ARCHBISHOP USHER'S notes, principally relating to CHRONOLOGY; three

large volumes." When the catalogue of 1697 was compiled there were only the two volumes which now remain. In that catalogue they are described as containing " Diversa opera Jacobi Usserii Armachani, chronologiam precipuè spectantia." Among these collections are,

1. " Tabulæ quatuor ab ortu mundi ad Vespatianum;" f. 1.

2. " Tabula indicans patres ab Adam ad Moysem; et anni eorum juxta traditionem Septuaginta;" f. 5.

3. A dissertation on Exodus xii. 2., with many observations on the Hebrew calendar and chronology; f. 11.

4. " Jo. Calvini harmonia tert. Evangelistarum;" [*sic*] f. 61.

5. " Æmylius Probus, qui sub Theodosio floruisse putatur, de vitâ excellentium imperatorum; in Themistocle;" f. 62.

6. A dissertation on the two genealogies of Jesus Christ; f. 63.

7. A dissertation on the seventy weeks of Daniel; f. 67.

8. A chronological table of the life of Jesus Christ; f. 109. This is on the scheme of the four passovers.

9. Further notes on the seventy weeks; f. 112.

10. Copy of a letter, signed Ralph Skinner, addressed to Usher, in which the position is defended " that the Israelites passed not over the Red Sea *transversùm*," f. 121; and of two other letters from the same person, all of which are printed in the appendix to *The life of Dr. James Usher, Archbishop of Armagh*, by Dr. Richard Parr, fol. 1686; p. 356, &c.

11. Further notes and collections out of authors relating to the seventy weeks, and to antient chronology in general, both sacred and prophane; f. 138.

There are also in this volume a long extract from a treatise written in reply to something advanced by Bellarmine, and collections relating to the Roman law.

The second volume consists of similar collections out of authors on the subject of antient chronology.

XI. (X.)

A volume of collections relating to proceedings in COURTS MILITARY.

1. A disquisition on divers questions in law which have arisen upon certain petitions of late exhibited in the court of chivalry.

2. An extract from the Gascon roll, 9 Hen. IV. N° 15, de recommendatione factâ per Rogerum Bulmer. It relates to proceedings before the constable and marshall.

3. An extract from the patent roll, 2 Hen. IV. p. 2. m. 7. de confirmatione, Scrope.

4. An extract from the patent roll of the same year, p. 2. m. 31. de pardinatione, Kighley.

5. " Placita coronæ coram rege apud Westm^r, in parliamento die Lunæ proximâ post festum Exaltationis Sanctæ Crucis, 21 Ric. II. Les judgemente touch' les Dukes de Heref' et de Norff'."

6. The ordinances of Thomas Duke of Gloucester, constable of England, touching battails armed within lists, with an historical and legal commentary.

7. Various extracts from the rolls, of matter relating to ombats before the constable or marshall, or both. These are from the parliament rolls, 8 Ric. II. N° 31, 8 Hen. VI. N° 38, 2 Hen. VI. N° 9; and from the patent rolls of 25 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 16, 3 Hen. IV. p. 2. m. 15, and 8 Ric. II. p. 2. m. 8.

8. Extracts on the same subject from Stowe's chronicle and from Sir John Hayward's life of Henry IV.

9. " Placita coram rege apud Westm^r, 22 Edw. I." Duel waged between William de Vessye and John Fitz Thomas.

10. " Transcriptum negotii quod fuit in curiâ militari inter dominum Morley appellantem et Joannem comitem Sar' partem appellatum, 1 Hen. IV."

11. Certain points which are established by evidence of the preceding records.

The above form the first half of the volume. The

second half, which is of a paper of somewhat larger dimensions, contains the same matter, with the exception of the first article, but more fairly transcribed.

XII. (XI.)

This volume is lettered "SELDENI COLLECTANEA, precipuè in ordine ad Titulos Honorum."

1. The grant of the dignity of a count of the empire by the Emperor Rodolf to Sir Thomas Arundell.

2. "Forma juramenti procuratorum de Archubus," &c.

3. "Forma juramenti licentiandorum in artibus Oxon'."

4. "That the jurisdiction exercised in the Prerogative Court is the king's, as the jurisdiction in other of his courts of Westminster."

5. "De actornat' faciend' coram senescallo et marescallo, et de placitis coram ipsis tenendis."

6. "De coronatoribus comitatuum associand' coronatoribus hospicii domini Regis."

7. "Propheciæ antiquæ."

8. Copies of three charters of kings of Ireland, which were communicated to Selden by Robert Sidney Earl of Leicester. These curious instruments are, (1.) a bond from "Odo Onel Rex Kenelean'" to W. de Burgh Earl of Ulster and Lord of Connaught, to render at certain periods 3,500 cows, and to deliver four hostages before the next feast of All Saints, or himself to return to prison; he also binds himself to treat in the manner which becomes her, Alienora his wife, a kinswoman of the said earl. To all this he solemnly pledges himself, and in default he admits the right of the earl "me ejicere a regalitate;" the date is the 2d of October in the 53d of Henry the king. (2.) Grant of all the land of Glen Oconcahill from "Dormicius Ocaan Rex de Fernecrene" to Richard Earl of Ulster and Lord of Connaught. "Datum apud Novam Villam de Blawyco," Dec. 1. in the 6th of King Edward. (3.) "Turchelagh Oconghs Rex Connac'" to Richard de Burgh Earl of Ulster and Lord of Connaught; an ac-

knowledgment that he has received his lands in Dreffinia, &c., 18th of Edward son of Edward.*

9. "Tractatus de antiquo dominico coronæ (ita inscribitur, Responsum potius dicas,) incerto autore."

10. Brief excerpts from chronicles and other ancient writings in the library of THOMAS ALLEN; viz. (1.) "Anonymi vitæ archiep. Ebor'." (2.) "Turgotus Dunelmensis prior." (3.) "Chronicon monasterii Burton super Trentam." (4.) "Johannes Rossus Warwicensis." (5.) "W. Malmesbur' de antiq. Glastoniensis villæ." (6.) "Thomas de Wyke canon' de Oseney."

11. A treatise in English de duello, written by John Hill, armourer and serjeant in the office of armourie with King Henry IV. "*Loo my leve lords here,*" &c.

12. "Acta concilii." Notes from the council books of the reigns of Richard II., Henry IV., and Henry V. †

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* Only the first of these three very remarkable documents appears to have been printed. See *Titles of Honour*, Part I. chapter iv. *The Works of John Selden*, III. 138.

† These are throughout in Selden's own hand; and it is to be regretted that this eminent person has not shown in what original he perused these important but little known documents. There is in the main a correspondency with the Cott. MS. Cleopatra F. III., and especially when he speaks of the writ to Robert Rikedon; and generally there is a correspondency between these notes and the publication, by Sir Harris Nicolas, of the *Proceedings and Ordinances of the Privy Council of England.* Yet Selden has some things which are not in the printed volumes; and especially a notice of a council held at Westminster, of Feb. 9 in the first year of Henry V., when William Farrington, a messenger from the Bishop of Durham, the Earl of Worcester, and Lord Say, the ambassadors at Calais, was introduced, who showed that for divers reasons wars were to be expected. It was determined to call immediately for an aid. The names are given of thirteen lords spiritual and twenty lords temporal who were present at the council.

13. The great officers of state.*

14. Extracts out of Johannes Anglicus, his Historia aurea.

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* This may be transcribed:

" In magno consilio cujuslibet Regis,

" Cancellarius.

" Domini spirituales III.

" Domini temporales V. cum aliis dominis non continuè residentibus in concilio, quando vellent venire.

" Custos privati sigilli.

" Cum istis, VIII. vel alius minor numerus doctorum et expertorum virorum partim spiritualium et partim temporalium diversarum facultatum qui cotidie haberent investigare circa singula membra reipublicæ quid pro bono communi expediret et avisata reportare in consilio. Isti etiam relevarent dominos de multis curis et laboribus necessariis circa decisionem causarum judicialium coram dominis agitandarum, et admittend' in ambassiat' et commissionibus tam extra quam infra regnum essent convenientes et idonei.

" Clericus consilii, et procurator generalis Regis; pro rebus bellicis.

" Constabularius, marescallus, admirallis, aut alii quos pro tempore loco illorum Rex proponere vellet ad bella gerenda.

" In domo regiâ quâcunque,

" Confessor, senescallus, cambellanus, thesaurarius, contrarotulator, et secretarius in cancellariâ.

" Pro regimine financiarum,

" Thesaurarius magnus, sub-thesaurarius, barones scaccarii Regis, et eorum principales scribæ.

" Pro justiciâ communi distribuendâ,

" Clericus rotulorum et alii magistri cancellariæ.

" Judices in banco regis, judices in communi banco, et eorum principales scribæ.

" Et quamvis personarum magnus numerus hic sit declaratus multo minor sufficeret pro inchoatione talis rei, quia exempla magis movent quam verba, et virtutis laus omnis in actione consistit, unde respublica prosperaret, multæ cederent discordiæ, &c."

15. Notes from the pedigree of the Fortescues.

16. A few Latin verses, by Arthur Best, on the death of Prince Henry.

17. The titles of a few acts of the parliament of Scotland.

18. Transcripts or abstracts of a few charters to religious houses.

19. A letter addressed by the university of Oxford to a convocation of the clergy in 1425.

20. A few notes out of records touching ecclesiastical affairs.

21. Account of the censure of Verdon, a priest in Ireland, for scandalous words concerning the king, 16 James I.

22. A single leaf of vellum, part of an original book of statutes of the university of Oxford, containing matter which relates to the government of the *studentes* and the *scholares*. It appears to have been used in the binding of some volume.

23. Mode of proceeding against nobles in criminal cases.

24. "Judicium de judice corrupto; ex. pat. 24 Edw."

25. Petition of John de Wyndsor; from the parliament roll, 17 Ric. II. N° 10.

26. A few notes from pleas of the forest.

27. Notes concerning officers of the court of chancery having the custody of rolls, and of the places in which they are deposited.

28. Concord between Sigismond King of Poland and the master of the Teutonic order of Saint Mary, A.D. 1525.

29. Extract from the Gascon roll, 15 Hen. VI. m. 4. N° 2.: pro Johanne Tibetot.

30. "Answer to the objections against the baronets."

31. Creation of Prince Henry, Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall and Rothsay, in full parliament, 4 June, 8 James I., from the patent roll of that year, pars nona; and other collections out of records concerning the heirs apparent of the sovereign.

32. Creation of Roger Bigot Earl of Norfolk by

Richard I., in the first of his reign; from the chartæ antiquæ at the Tower, S. N° 14.

33. Inspeximus from the chartæ, 5 Edw. III. m. 1., of the grant by King Henry of the castle of Arundel to William Earl of Arundel.

34. Charter of Henry [II.] by which Hugh Bigod is made Earl of Norfolk. Chartæ antiquæ, S. N° 13.

35. Charter of John, in the first of his reign, by which the third penny of the county of Derby is granted to William de Ferrers Earl of Derby. Chartæ antiquæ, B. N° 24.

36. Charter of Henry III., in the first of his reign, to Henry fitz Count, that he may have the county of Cornwall as Reginald Earl of Cornwall his father held it. Patent roll, 1 Hen. III. m. 13.

37. Creation of Edmund of Woodstock Earl of Kent. Claus. 15 Edw. II. m. 23.

38. Grant to Thomas of Brotherton of all castles, &c. which were Roger le Bigod's, formerly earl and marshall of England. Chartæ, 6 Edw. II. N° 31.

39. Creation of William de Clinton Earl of Huntingdon, Chartæ, 11 Edw. III. N° 42.

40. Grant to Thomas of Brotherton of all castles, &c. which were Roger le Bigod's. Of the same date with the above and from the same bundle, N° 32, but containing some additional limitations.

41. Creation of Ingelram de Couci Earl of Bedford. Chartæ 39 and 40 Edw. III.

42. Creation of William de Clinton Earl of Huntingdon. Chartæ, 11 Edw. III. N° 41. This is dated March 16: the one above is dated on the 18th.

43. Creation of Edmund of Langley Earl of Cambridge. Chartæ, 36 Edw. III. N° 8.

44. Grant to Reginald de Grey of the castle of Ruthyn and cantred of Deffrencloyt. Chartæ, 10 Edw. I. N° 4.

45. Inspeximus of the patent (roll 28 Hen. VI. m. 23. p. 2.) by which Henry Earl of Warwick is created "Primus comitum vel primus comes regni Angliæ," dated at Dover,

April 2, in the 22 Henry VI.; also of the patent by which Richard Nevil son of Anne, sister to Henry late Duke of Warwick, and of Richard Earl of Salisbury, her husband, is created Earl of Warwick, dated July 23, 27 Henry VI.; which patents were surrendered to the intent that they should be renewed, &c.

46. Creation of Mary Lady Compton, relict of Sir George Villiers and wife of Sir Thomas Compton, Countess of Buckingham, July 1, 16 James.

47. Copy of the supposititious charter of Malcolm King of Scots and the Isles, by which he acknowledges to hold his kingdom of Edward son of Ethelred King of England. It is here said to be "In interiori thesauro in claustro Westmonast' in cistâ Scociæ."

48. A large collection of the styles and titles of foreign kings and princes from instruments preserved in the paper chamber.

49. Extract from a Portuguese writer respecting the family of Val de Almada, some persons of which family were concerned in English affairs in the reign of Henry VI., and one of them admitted into the order of the Garter.

50. "For Mr. Selden, anent dignities in Scotland."

51. Grant of the state of baron, as Lord of Beauchamp and Baron of Kidderminster, to John Beauchamp of Holt. Patent roll, 11 Ric. II. p. 1. m. 12.

52. Copies of superscriptions from certain intercepted letters.

53. Extracts from the book of the abbey of Saint James of Northampton.

54. "Ex tractatu aureo Petri Calefati de equestri dignitate."

55. A remarkable extract from the book of Winchecumbe relating to the homage of the Earl of Lancaster for the earldoms of Lincoln and Salisbury, A.D. 1310.

56. Forms of address in royal letters to persons of various ranks.

57. "De primis regalibus ornamentis regni Angliæ; ex

MS. de fundatoribus ecclesiæ Westm' apud v. c. Rob. Cotton." Compare Cotton. Faust., A. III.

58. Two extracts from the Norman rolls of 7 Henry V. relating to Gaston de Foix.

59. Extract from Gascon roll, 50 Edward III.; pro Johanne rege Castilli et Leon.

60. Grant to Thomas Montagu Earl of Salisbury of the land, barony, and castle of Longuy. Rot. pat. Norm. 7 Hen. V. m. 11. N° 14.

61. Extract of Gascon roll, 23 Hen. VI. m. 7; pro Bernardo Angevin.

62. " Unde Guildhal dicatur."

63. Notes from the imperial constitutions, and from Ulpian, of matters pertaining to his enquiries concerning titles of honour.

64. Patent of creation of Lewis Duke of Lenox, Earl of Richmond, and Baron of Setterington, Earl of Newcastle upon Tyne, and Duke of Richmond in Yorkshire, to him and the heirs male of his body; dated 7th May, 21st of James.

65. Patent of creation of George Marquis of Buckingham, Duke of Buckingham, and Earl of Coventry, dated 8th May, 21st of James.

66. Notes concerning various titles of honour.

67. Patent of creation of Edward Grey, Lord Lisle, 14th March 15 Edw. IV., with remarkable clauses.

68. Patent of creation of Ralph Butler, Lord Sudeley, 10th Sep. 25 Hen. VI.

69. Patent of creation of Walter Blount, Lord Mountjoy, 20th June 5 Edw. IV.

The above are all the portions of this miscellaneous volume which require to be specified; but there are interspersed through the volume rough notes from records or from early writers, chiefly in the hand of Selden himself, and there are also extracts by him from Chaucer and other early poets of passages which seem intended to be introduced in his work on titles of honour.

XIII. (XII.)

Another and larger volume of COLLECTANEA SELDENI.

1. Extracts from the close and patent rolls relating to maritime affairs.

2. Paper of the fees taken by the under clerks in the Six Clerks office in Chancery.

3. A dissertation on the English peerage connected with the question of succession to the castle of Arundel between the heir general and heir male; the work probably of Selden himself. It is in Latin, and imperfect.

4. A few notes on the constitution and privileges of the house of peers.

5. " A copie of the conditions of the peace made between the Polands and the Muscovians," 1612.

6. " Precedent against monopolies," from the memoranda of the Exchequer, 5 Edw. III.

7. List of commissions for purveyance, and to whom issued; with heads of a speech about purveyors, and a letter on the same subject.

8. Notes respecting the presentation and election of bishops.

9. Exchequer fees, as entered on record, Mich. term 26 Hen. VI., roll 56; but apparently copied from a book printed in 1530.

10. Collections on the question of compulsory knighthood, with the original receit, signed Wentworth, for £10 from Christopher Gill of Barton, in the county of York, as a composition for not having attended to receive the honour of knighthood, dated 21st Nov. 1632.

11. Charters of William the Conqueror and William Rufus to the abbeys of Evesham and Bath.

12. " The privileges or special rights belonging to the baronage of England; in which name are comprehended all those who as *prelati* or *magnates* and *proceres regni* by common right are to be summoned to every parliament, wherein also they have place and voice as incident to their

dignity; concerne them either as they are one estate together in the upper house, or as every of them is privately a single baron." Then follow the titles of twenty chapters, in which the subject was distributed; we have here however the first chapter only, the subject of which is the peers' proxies. This is no doubt a fragment of Selden's treatise on the privileges of the baronage, inserted in his *Works*, vol. iii. p. 1476.

13. Collections relating to the Hanse Towns.

14. Extract from the parliament roll, 2 Hen. VI., relating to Sir John Mortimer.

15. Concerning the church of St. Oswald of Gloucester, from placita of 35 Edw. fil. Hen.

16. Notes from the Tower records concerning the Mortimers.

17. Office copy of a commission, dated 8th September 18 James, to Sir Robert Mansel, vice-admiral of England, appointing him admiral of a fleet fitted out for the purpose of extirpating the pirates with which the English seas were infested.

18. A few collections from records respecting the office of chamberlain.

19. A paper on the right of fishing in the northern seas.

20. A single leaf, being a fragment of an enquiry into the genuineness of a certain instrument which appears to have been dated on the eve of the Ascension, when that day fell on 22d May.

21. A few notes concerning the creation of dignities.

22. Office copy of the patent by which Robert Pierrepoint, Esquire, is created Baron Pierrepoint of Holme Pierrepoint. Imperfect.

23. Office copy of the commons' petition, 3 Hen. VI., that persons accused of treasons, felony, or lollardy may be speedily brought to judgment.

24. A few notes which appear to have relation to ambassadors from Holland.

25. Slight reference to the patent rolls respecting creations of nobility.

26. Notices, still more slight, concerning insignia.

27. List of authors quoted in *Tractatus juris universi*, a work printed at Venice in 1584.

28. A few notes of patents relating to military affairs.

29. A few notes of placita relating to naval affairs.

30. A few notes from the parliament rolls relating to privileges.

31. Fragment of a decree in which Thomas Gonnell and John Hunt were parties.

32. A treatise on oaths and protestations upon honour as touching privileges of peers.

33. A few notes respecting the queen consort and her privileges.

34. Notice of the commission from Henry VII., dated 5th April in the eleventh year of his reign, to John Cabot and Lodovico Sebastiano to sail to discover new lands, &c.; and briefer notices of similar commissions to Sir Humphrey Gilbert, Sir Walter Raleigh, and Adrian Gilbert.

35. Names of persons in an ecclesiastical commission of 6 Edw. VI.

36. " Notes of Mr. Saint John's argument of ship-money, as it was delivered me by Mr. Solicitor."

37. Case for an opinion respecting an intended mount for lone of moneys on pawns.

38. A few further notes touching knighthood.

39. A few notes respecting ships put in commission.

40. A long treatise, fairly written out, endorsed, " My Lord of Northampton's discourse of earls and dukes. Perfect."

41. An original letter, addressed to Selden, from J. H. Hottingerus.

42. A single page (all that was written) of an intended account of his own life; written in Latin, and in his own hand, with many corrections and interlineations.

43. A few topographical memoranda respecting Thorney and Wittlesey.

44. Extract from the Menologia relating to the true time of our Saviour's birth.

45. Selden's own transcript of his letter to the Marquis of Buckingham in May 1620, excusing himself from taking decidedly either side in the question of the jure divino of tithe. In his own hand. The letter is printed in his *Works*, vol. iii. p. 1392.

46. Argument in Selden's own hand, with numerous interlineations and corrections, on the case of Archbishop Abbot, who had slain a man by misadventure.

47. Collections concerning oblations due to the church from citizens of London, and a legal argument upon the subject.

48. "The reasons used on the behalf of the right hon. George Earl of Shrewsbury and Waterford to prove that Sir Richard Lumley, Knight, being lately created Viscount Lumley of Waterford, may not enjoy that title without wrong to the said Earl." See LXXVIII. 77.

49. Notes of proceedings in parliament respecting the great officers of state.

50. A poem addressed to the Lord Falkland by R. C., junior, [Robert Creswell.]

51. A letter from Robert Creswell the elder, inclosing an oration delivered by his son R. C. in the school at Cambridge on Ash Wednesday in 1637.

52. A letter from Robert Creswell, junior, apparently addressed to Selden.

53. "Charta de annexatione præbendæ in ecclesiâ cathedrali Christi Oxon. regio professori ac lectori linguæ Hebraicæ qui pro tempore fuerit in academiâ Oxon." 6 Car. I.

54. A few references to various antient authors, chiefly on the subject of the nuptial contract.

55. Extracts from a manuscript to which the title "Chronographias Λογοι" is given by its author, Joannes Malala seu Antiochanus. It is ἀκεφαλος, beginning at p. 10 b. line 6, and much is also wanting at the end.

56. The titles of various foreign works, chiefly on jurisprudence, with occasional references to particular passages in them; notices also of some works in manuscript, and

among them of manuscripts in English history, forming together a fasciculus of thirty-one leaves. In Selden's own hand.

57. "The antiquity and dignity of parliament." By Sir Robert Cotton. This is the second article in *Cottoni Posthuma*, 8vo. 1651.

58. An office copy of a memorial to the lord chancellor and the lord treasurer from the justices of the two courts and the barons of the Exchequer, touching the right of the council to imprison and to act in opposition to the established practices of the courts of common law, 36 Eliz.

59. "Translation of a letter from the Sophy of Persia to our king's Majesty;" November 1631.

60. An original letter to Selden, signed John Kelynge, Inner Temple, June 7, 1629, relating to proceedings in the reign of Henry IV. against Thomas Merks Bishop of Carlisle.

61. A catalogue of oriental manuscripts then lately sent to Paris by the French ambassador at Constantinople, which catalogue was transmitted to Selden by Lord Herbert of Cherbury, then the English ambassador at Paris.

62. A few leaves of rough notes, containing hints and references in respect of the subjects of Selden's various enquiries.

63. A list of the names of sixty-four kinds of birds, collected by Selden.

64. "Κλαυδίου Πτολεμαίου Φάσεις ἀπλανῶν ἀστέρων καὶ Συναγωγὴ ἐπισημασιων."

65. A few notes from the Gascon and French rolls.

66. Office copy, from the dorse of the patent roll 6 Hen. VII., of a writ directing Thomas Cheyney, Knight, and others, to repair to the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon, and there to inform the people of the king's intention of making war upon Charles King of France, and to exhort them to give him all possible assistance. Similar writs were addressed to other persons in respect of other counties.

67. Office copy, from patent roll 41 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 11, touching the measuring of coals sent from the port of Newcastle upon Tyne.

68. " Records in the Tower touching his Majesty's prerogative in the narrow seas."

69. A few rough notes, being collections by Selden for his treatise De synedriis, &c. Ebræorum.

70. A transcript, but incomplete, of Magna Charta.

71. A report, made 15th July in 19 Edw. II. by the Archbishop of York, the Bishop of Rochester, Robert de Wodehouse, keeper of the wardrobe, and John de Langton, one of the chamberlains of the Exchequer, concerning the regalia which they had inspected in the chamber beneath the chapel of the Great Tower of London.

72. List of the authors whose works are in the Bibliotheca Patrum; Colon. Agripp. 1618.

73. Three leaves of vellum, with an original kalendary chronicle, A.D. 1067—A.D. 1300, a little before which time it was written. The original hand ceases in 1288. I observe nothing peculiar to this chronicle, which is very brief, yet the first entry may deserve transcription.

> M. LXVII°. Wiłłs comes Norm' pūgnavit 9ª Harald' ap' Hasting' et vic' eu' ii° idus Octobr'. Eod' ann' an' Nat' coronat' est Harald' u° vulner' et vix de bello evasit.

74. A contemporary transcript of a writ issued by King Henry V., in the third of his reign, addressed to the Count of Charoloys in favour of the merchants of London, and of another to the council of the town of Ypres, and the deputies from Ghent and Bruges assembled in the said town, touching affairs of commerce. Both bear date at Porchester, July 28.

75. An original draft in parchment of a writ of summons under the privy seal to be issued to various ladies of rank to attend the Queen at the ceremony of her purification, which was to take place at the palace at Westminster on the 18th of November next ensuing, pursuant to an

order of council of the 30th of October in the thirty-second of the reign, *i.e.* Henry VI.*

76. An original feofment deed of all lands in Rothley by Margaret Knot of Wysowe, to John Hadcock and another, 18 Ric. II.

77. An original warrant to the treasurer and chamberlain of the Exchequer to pay to the Earl of Wiltshire, Sir John Fortescue, chief justice of the King's Bench, Piers Arden, chief baron of the Exchequer, and Richard Bingham, one of the justices, certain sums in reward, they being about to hold a sessions of oyer and terminer in Devonshire; and also to Thomas Littleton, one of our serjeants at law, John Greenfield, and Thomas Croxton, whom we have commanded to wait upon them. Signed T. Cant., R. Warrewyk, R. Salisbury, Stanley, J. Wenlock, John Grey; all autograph signatures. There is no date on the instrument itself, but in a later hand is written, " ix° die Julii an° 34 Hen. Sexti."

78. A copy on parchment, made, as it seems, early in the fourteenth century, of a charter of William King of the Scots, being letters patent to Morgundus son of Gillocher formerly Earl of Marr touching the succession to that dignity. They are dated at " Hindhop Burnemuth in mea Nova Foresta," 10 kal. Junii 1171.

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* The ladies to whom these writs of summons were to issue were,

Ten duchesses; viz. Bedford, York, Norfolk the elder, Norfolk the younger, Buckingham, Somerset the elder, Somerset the younger, Exeter the elder, Exeter the younger, and Suffolk.

Eight countesses; viz. Warwick, Arundel, Northumberland, Salisbury, Wiltshire, Shrewsbury the elder, Shrewsbury the younger, and Oxford.

The Viscountess Bourchier.

The Ladies Grey Ruthin, Roos, Lovel, Cromwell, Barness [Berners], Ferrers of Groby, Hastyngs, Bergavenny, Fitz Waren, Willoughby the younger, Latimer, Fitz Walter, Roos the elder, Delawar, Botreaux, and Souch.

79. An original writ (probably of Edward IV.) dated at Greenwich April 24, in the eighteenth of the reign, addressed to a bishop, that he should assist the owner of a prebend in his church, who was the King's clerk and councillor, to recover rent due from Robert Caldecot, Gentleman, to whom he had granted a lease of it.

80. An original petition exhibited to the Duke of Bedford, protector of England, by Lawrence de Platea and James Camblon, merchants of Piemount; indorsed, that they are to have safe conduct for two years, 24th Feb. 6 Hen. VI.

81. Copy of a writ, dated 11 Nov. 17 Edw. III., directed to the sheriff of Yorkshire, touching tithe of fish due to the church of Paul. "Scire facias de decimis," *i.e.* decimæ piscium apud Paul.

82. An imperfect copy, in the original French, of the ordinances touching battail, of Thomas Duke of Gloucester, of which there are two translated copies in vol. XI. (X.) of this library.

83. Extract from the close roll 55 Hen. III. m. 3. dorso, touching the land of Nicholas de Seledon in Seledon.

84. Extract from the French roll 1 & 2 Hen. VI. m. 17. de procuratoribus Regis institutis.

85. An original letter to Selden from Roger Dodsworth, dated Hutton Grange, 28 Jan. 1623, accompanying a copy of a decree of Walter Grey Archbishop of York, by which is shown what part of the ornaments of the church belong to the rector or vicar and what to the parishioners, according to the custom of the province of York; and also an extract from the court rolls of the manor of Wakefield, 16 Edw. I., showing that Sir Franco Le Tyas, Knight, brought his action against Germanus Mercator, because he had arrested the horse of William Lepton his esquire, to the disgrace and damage of the said knight, whereupon he recovered 100*s*. Dodsworth adds, in a note, that "in Wakefield they can only arrest cattle, and not men."

86. Note of proceedings at the council table May 23, 1622, touching the conduct of the Lord Say in the matter

of the benevolence. The backwardness of the people of Oxfordshire was attributed mainly to him.

87. Copy of a warrant to summon commissioners respecting a loan to meet at Huntingdon, dated Dec. 23, 1626.

88. "Articles pour presenter au Roy et a messigneur de son conseil pour sur icelles faire le reglement des armoires," &c., in the time of Louis XIII.; imperfect.

89. Extract from the Irish patents 8 Edw. IV. of a grant to Robert Bold of the dignity of baron and of the lands of Rathtouth; dated at Drogheda, 13 August, 8 Edw. IV.

90. Brief notice of an action of slander, 4 & 5 Ph. and Mar.; Sir Edward Gage of Sussex versus Hemsley.

91. Notes of a law case of Edward Earl of Shrewsbury.

92. Questions on the eighth article of the charta de forestâ, concerning the sweinmote.

93. Copy of a warrant, signed Tho. Coventry, addressed to the clerk of the crown, directing him to leave out of the commission of the peace and of oyer and terminer then about to be made certain persons whose names are given, or so many of them as he shall find in commission. Dated June 8, 1627.

94. A printed petition to the House of Commons from the parishioners of Winwick in Lancashire, relating to a decree in the court of the duchy of Lancaster concerning that rectory.

95. Blank form of indenture of apprenticeship.

96. "Ex libro vetusto manuscripto evidenciarum Petriburgens' monasterii."

97. "M.DC.VIII. Bulla de la Santa Cruzada concedida por la santidad de Clemente Octavo de felice recordacion et prorrogada y mandada publicar por nuestro muy santo padre Paulo Quinto," &c. Printed sheet.

98. List of peers of parliament, 18 James.

99. Copy of a Spanish decree concerning children that are illegitimate.

100. Notes from the rolls of parliament concerning Ireland, and concerning the wines of Gascony.

101. Copy from the close roll 38 Hen. III. of a writ to the sheriff of Wilts, to summon all persons in his bailywick not already knights, who have 60*l.* land, to repair to his eldest son Edward at Bures in Spain, by the feast of Saint Edward next ensuing, there to take upon themselves the honour of knighthood with the said prince, who is then and there to be knighted by the King of Spain. Dated, August 30.

102. A tabular view of different classes of knighthood.

103. An original letter in French, addressed to the lieutenant, deputy lieutenants, and justices of the peace of the county of Bedford, and to other gentlemen of that county, from an agent of the King of Bohemia, concerning his affairs; dated, Londres, 13 May, 1620.

104. Copies of state papers respecting the intended marriage of Charles Prince of Wales and the Infanta Maria of Spain.

105. Many extracts from a register of the abbey of Glaston in possession of the Earl of Arundel.

106. Copy of the Scotch patent by which Sir John Ramsey was created Viscount Haddington, 8 April 1606.

107. Copy of a charter of the Empress Maud, by which she grants to Earl Albericus all the lands which were Albericus de Veer's, his father, on the day he died, together with the chamberlainship of England, &c., dated at Oxford; of a confirmation by King Henry II.; and of a grant by Henry II. to Earl Albericus of the third penny of the county of Oxford, dated, apud Dover in transitu Regis.*

108. Copy of an inquisition taken at Abbotsbury in Dorsetshire, 13 Oct. 6 Hen. VI., before the deputy of John Duke of Bedford, admiral of England, concerning rights of fishery of the fishermen of Langton.

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* These charters were well known to Dugdale (see *Baronage*, vol. i. p. 190.), who had them from the same originals with Selden, viz. an ancient book in the possession of the Earl of Oxford.

The papers which form the two volumes now described appear to have come into the hands of Sir Matthew Hale as executor to Selden, and to have been bound up since they were deposited in this library.

XIV. (XIII.)

A volume of Historical Miscellanies.

1. Four pages of notes from chronicles and records respecting parliament, and especially the sitting of the lords spiritual.

2. Abstracts of divers fines in the reigns of Richard I. and John, which appear to be copied from a manuscript of Sir Robert Cotton. None of these are before 7 Ric. I.

3. Succession of the abbots of Croyland, and other extracts from the Croyland book in possession of Mr. Lambarde.

4. An abbreviatio placitorum for the reigns of Richard I. and John; the arrangement imperfect.

5. A collection of historical papers, which appear to have been part of Selden's Collectanea; viz.

(1.) " Ninnii seu Nennii (uti est verior et vetustior scriptio) historia, sive origines Britonum; ad exemplar G. Camden v. c."

(2.) " Ex Ninii codice apud v. c. Rob. Cotton eq. aurat' et baronettum, alia quædam de Brittonum regum successione sive posteris, &c.; quæ plerisque exemplaribus desiderantur."

(3.) " Vita sanctissimi atque doctissimi viri Gildæ."

(4.) " Epistola Simeonis monachi ecclesiæ Sancti Cuthberti Dunelmi ad Hugonem decanum Eboracensem, de archiepiscopis Eboraci."

(5.) " De oleo divinitùs ad reges Anglorum ungendos dato."

(6.) " Duo testamenta Alfredi regis inclyti."

(7.) " Alia fragmenta de regibus Saxonum alterioribus," &c.

6. In a series of paging, 1—163, are notes from the rolls at the Tower for the first thirty years of the reign of King Henry III. For the first fifteen years the extracts are from the patent, close, and fine rolls only, and in this portion of the work the extracts are most numerous. In the sixteenth of Henry III. the notes from the rotuli Franciæ begin; in the seventeenth from the liberate rolls; and in the later years are notes from the Gascon rolls. No principle of selection is discoverable, the writer seeming to have been guided only by his own view of what was most interesting.

7. Similar notes from the patent, close, and fine rolls, 20 Edw. I.—1 Edw. II., and from the close and fine rolls, 2 Edw. II.—51 Edw. III. A few notes from parliament and other rolls are at the end of the volume.

XV. XVI. (XV. XIV.)

These two volumes contain copies from the close rolls of all SUMMONSES TO PARLIAMENT; from that of the 49th Henry III., issued by the Earl of Leicester in the King's name, to the 6th Edw. III., in vol. XV. In vol. XVI. (XIV.) are the summonses from the 7th to the 50th Edw. III.; and, in a different hand, copies from the same rolls of summonses of the clergy to convocations, from 7 Edw. II. to 22 Edw. IV.

XVII. (XXV.)

Transcripts of such entries as appeared to Sir Matthew Hale worthy of being transcribed, on the CLOSE ROLLS, 6—9 John, and 14—18 of the same reign.*

* The transcripts from the Tower records form a most valuable part of the library. They were made for the most part by William Ryley junior, probably a clerk at that time in

XVIII. (XXVII.)

Similar transcripts, 13—22 Hen. III.

XIX. (XXVI.)

Similar transcripts, 24—34 Hen. III.

XX. (XIX.)

Similar transcripts, 37—40 Hen. III.

XXI. (XXVIII.)

Similar transcripts, 38—40 Hen. III., and 44—46 Hen. III.

This volume also contains transcripts of single entries from other rolls and other reigns; viz.

Gascon, 38 Hen. III. p. 1. m. 7. and m. 8. Pro Edwardo filio Regis.

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the Tower. They are very numerous, and contain much of that which is of the higher historical importance. From some of the *classes* of those records the transcripts are, however, very few; and there are many years of the classes, to which the attention of the learned judge was chiefly directed, of which no transcripts remain. Considerable portions of the rolls yielded nothing; as for instance, in the close roll, 46 Hen. III. m. 16, 17, 18. "nil notâ dignum." The transcriber has copied the writs at full length and has opened the contractions. There is no abstract or calendar of the writs of which no transcripts were made.

The use to be made of these transcripts is, that here is collected and put in a convenient form for perusal the more important matter of those records, which it would be a work of immense labour and difficulty to search out in the vast volume of the records themselves, and to separate from the less important matter with which it is intermixed; and (2.) there may be found in these transcripts, occasionally, writs of which the original record may be now in a state of decay or may have been lost altogether.

Close, 1 Ric. II. m. 44. and 45.; 25 Edw. III. m. 16. dorso; 20 Edw. III. m. 25. dorso.

Fine, 19 Edw. II. m. 15.

Chartæ, 29 Edw. I. N° 36.

Patent, 20 Edw. II. m. 4.

XXII. (XVIII.)

Similar transcripts, 42—54 Hen. III.

XXIII. (XVI.)

A continuation of the preceding transcripts to the end of the reign of Henry III. The binder has placed at the beginning of this volume a small portion of the 53 Hen. III., which was left out of the preceding volume by mistake; the continuation begins at fol. 16. This volume contains also other collections.

1. Transcripts from other rolls; viz.

   (1.) Patent, 57 Hen. III.; 3 and 32 Edw. I.; 6 and 10 Edw. II.; 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 14 Edw. III.; 2 and 22 Ric. II.; 4 Hen. VI.

   (2.) Fine, 3 Edw. I. m. 24.

   (3.) Close, 13 Edw. II.; 19 and 41 Edw. III.

   (4.) Gascon, 12 Edw. III. m. 11.

   (5.) Aleman. Six entries in 12 Edw. III., which relate to the measures then used for the defence of the sea-coasts.*

2. Transcripts from the close rolls, of various dates, relating to the mint and coinage.

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* One of these, entered on m. 10. dorso, directs that the monks of Lewes should be removed to a greater distance from the coast; another, on pars 2. m. 8. dorso, relates to the defence of the isle of Portland; and a third, p. 2. m. 7. dorso, is a writ directing that in churches near the sea only one bell shall be rung.

3. " Ex libro Nich. Upton canonici ecclesiæ Sarum dedicato Humfrido duci Glouc'."

4. Proceedings in a suit about the advowson of the church of Harleston.

5. " Placita coram consilio domini Regis, a die S. Johannis Bapt'e in tres septimanas, 27 Hen. fil. Johannis."

6. " Assisæ apud Northampton coram domino Rege in crastino Epiphaniæ Domini anno 50, tempore turbationis;" with placita of the reign of Henry III. to the end of the volume.

XXIV. (XXIII.)

Transcripts, similar to those above, from the CLOSE ROLLS of 3 Edw. I., 6—11 Edw. I., and 13 Edw. I.; but the selections are far less numerous.

Similar transcripts from the close rolls, 1—20 Edward II.

Similar transcripts from the patent rolls of 48 and 49 Hen. III.

XXV. (XX.)

Transcripts from the CLOSE ROLLS, 27—38 Edw. III.

XXVI. (XXXII.)

Similar transcripts, 40—50 Edw. III.

In this volume are also transcripts of close rolls of 47 and 48 Hen. III.

XXVII. (XXI.)

Transcripts from the PATENT and CLOSE ROLLS intermixed.

1. Patent: 9—11 Hen. III.; f. 1.

2. Close: 12 Hen. III., 17 John, 9—11 Hen. III., and 1—3 Edw. III.; f. 19.

3. Patent: 1—3 Edw. III.; f. 123.
4. Close: 5 & 6 Edw. III., 2 Edw. II.; f. 171.
5. Patent: 5 Edw. III.; f. 249.
6. Close: 8 Edw. III., 7 Edw. III., 10 Edw. III., 49 Hen. III.; f. 268.

XXVIII. (XXIV.)

A similar volume.

1. Patent: 15 and 51 Edw. III.; f. 1.
2. Close: 51 Edw. III.; f. 54.
3. Patent: 11 Edw. IV. and 51 Edw. III.; f. 57 b.
4. Walliæ: 6—10 Edw. I.; f. 71.

XXIX. (XXII.)

Placita, 1—4 Edw. I. These extend to f. 238. From thence to the end of the volume are a few selected cases from placita of the 13th, 18th, and 19th of that reign.

XXX. (XXIX.)

A Sylva of Record and Historical matter. Most of the entries in this volume are of prominent interest, but the want is felt of an index and table of contents.

1. Transcripts from the patent rolls of matter relating to proceedings in causes military or in the court of chancery in the reigns of Edward III. and Henry VI.*; f. 1.

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* The expression in a writ of Henry VI., 5th of his reign, patent. p. 2. dorso, "Catholicæ fidei cujus defensio et tutela christianis dinoscitur spectare principibus," has been thought by some to be an anticipation of the formal grant of the title Defensor Fidei to Henry VIII. from the pope. The supposed connection is pointed out in this manuscript (perhaps by Sir Matthew Hale himself) at fol. 17.

2. Three writs from the rotulus viagii, temp. Hen. IV.; f. 29.

3. Sentence of degradation on Sir Giles Monpesson; f. 30.

4. Extract from the placita coram rege, Mich. term 8 Hen. IV.; f. 30 b.

5. "Veredictum burgensium Magnæ Jernmue [Yarmouth];" f. 40.

6. From the placita de banco, Somerset, Mich. term 6 Edw. II. rot. 135. The master of the hospital of St. John the Baptist of Radclive juxta Bristol, plaintiff; f. 44.

7. Transcripts of entries in the patent roll, 8 Edw. IV.; f. 44 b.

8. Inquisition, 21 Hen. VI., touching riots, &c. at Norwich; f. 58 b.†

9. Transcripts from the patent roll, 12 Edw. III.; f. 68.

10. Transcripts from the close roll of the same year; f. 91 b.

11. The like from the patent rolls of 26 and 14 Edw. III.; f. 121.

12. From the close roll of 26 Edw. III. m. 20. dorso. Processus factus versus fratres ordinis Sancti Augustini Wynton'; f. 153.

13. Writ from the patent roll of 13 Edw. II. m. 12; f. 160 b.

14. Brevia regis, 6 Hen. IV.; f. 161.

15. List of ports; f. 166.

16. Brevia reginæ, 26 Eliz.; f. 168.

17. Writ from the patent roll, 6 John, m. 7.; f. 170 b.

18. Writ from the close roll, 22 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 15. dorso; f. 172.

19. Writs from the patent rolls, 12 Edw. I., 15 Edw. III., and 5 Ric. II.; f. 174 b.

20. Writs from the close roll, 13 Edw. III.; f. 181 b.

21. Writ from patent roll, 14 Edw. III.; f. 185.

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† This is what is called at Norwich Gladman's insurrection. See *Blomefield*, vol. ii. p. 108.

22. Writ from the close roll, 26 Edw. III.; f. 185 b.

23. Writ from the patent roll, 15 Edw. III., de mercandisis cokettatis, with references to other records containing matter on the same subject; f. 186 b.

24. Writ from the close roll, 13 Edw. III. m. 44.; f. 188.

25. Writs from the patent roll, 8 Hen. VI. p. 1. m. 32. and 8 Edw. IV. p. 1. m. 18.; f. 188 b.

26. Extract from the placita 33 and 34 Edw. I.; f. 191.

27. Extracts from the patent rolls of 15 Edw. II. and 17 Edw. IV.; f. 193.

28. Extract from placita de banco, 19 Edw. III.; f. 195 b.

29. References to patent rolls, 10 Edw. II.; f. 196 b.

30. Extracts from the placita of Easter term, 19 Edw. I. rot. 58.; f. 199.

31. The same, Mich. term 5 Edw. I. rot. 100. Lincoln in banco, with references to matters contained in placita or writs of that period; f. 199 b.

32. " Orders made by Thomas of Lancaster, constable of England, for the placing of the kings of arms, heraulds, and serjeants at arms;" f. 208.

33. Writ of the king concerning the exchequer of the county of Chester; f. 211 b.

34. Bill in parliament concerning the Duke of Somerset's offences, 3 Edw. VI.; f. 212 b.

35. Letter of King James I. to the treasurer, &c. of the Exchequer, in the twelfth of his reign, respecting assignment of debts from the subject to the king; f. 221.

36. Another letter from James to the same, respecting informations of intrusion; f. 225.

37. Extract from the placita of the Exchequer, 28 Edw. III.; f. 227 b.

38. A few notes of records of various classes, of the reigns of Edward II. and III.; f. 230.

39. Grant to William Earl of Nottingham of the office of marshall of England, 19 Feb. 1 Hen. VII.; f. 235.

40. Grant to Ralph Earl of Westmorland of the same office, 6 Dec. 1 Hen. IV.; f. 238.

41. Extract from the placita coram rege, 18 Edw. III.,

concerning the attempt of the marshall to remove Walter de Manny from his office of sergeant to the marshalsey; f. 239 b.

From this page to the end of the volume are numerous transcripts from records of all the various classes, illustrating important points in law or history.

XXXI. (XXX.)

A large volume of Transcripts of Records.

1. From the close and other rolls of the reign of Henry III. without any arrangement; f. 1.

2. From the close, patent, and fine rolls of the reign of Edward I.; f. 49—433. But there are interspersed a few transcripts from rolls of other reigns, as at f. 89, and from the rotuli Franciæ of Edward III. at f. 125 and f. 173.

3. A collection of brief notices of matters contained in patent and close rolls, with transcripts occasionally introduced; f. 535—611. Interspersed are,

(1.) Diploma respecting the house of Kingswood; f. 557.

(2.) Instrument relating to the presentation to the church of Donyngton in Holland; f. 603.

(3.) Instruments respecting the rights of the dean and chapter of Lichfield in the church of Stowe; f. 607.

4. Extracts from the rolls respecting Pucklechurch in Gloucestershire; f. 649.

5. Extracts from the placita of 2 and 3 Edw. III. respecting the churches of Aldulvestre, Sulihall, and Louepitte; f. 663.

6. Verdict in a forest inquest concerning the forest of Dean, 18 Hen. III.; f. 685.

7. "Visus perambulationum forestæ Alti Pecci in com' Derb';" f. 685.

8. "Perambulatio forestæ de Dene," 28 Edw. I.; f. 686.

9. Writ from the close roll, 2 Edw. I. m. 2.; f. 691.

10. " Registrum omnium chartarum ac munimentorum abbatiæ de Kyngeswode;" f. 693.

11. Miscellaneous notes from the Tower records, with occasional transcripts to the end of the volume.

XXXII. (XXXIV.)

A volume of HISTORICAL MISCELLANEA, much of which consists of papers formerly Selden's.

1. Descriptive catalogue of treaties and documents relating to transactions between the early kings of England and the pope and other powers, from the reign of Henry II. to that of Elizabeth; f. 1—114.

(1.) Those which are inrolled and not in sealed chartæ, extending from the reign of Richard I. to that of Edward III.

(2.) The contents of divers bundles.

These documents are in the treasury of the receipt of the Exchequer [the Chapter House]. Most of them are printed in the *Fœdera*.

2. A table of contents to various volumes, which consist of manuscript treatises and documents, ecclesiastical and theological, for the most part relating to the Reformation; f. 115—128.

3. Cause, Mich. term 11 Hen. VII.; Hilary Warner versus Henry Hudson and others; f. 1. of a second series.

4. The king's writ to remove John Turner from the office of warden of the church of Sutton Valence, 26th March, 2 James; f. 6.

5. Admission to bail of John Kayser, executor to the will of his father, 5 Edw. IV.; f. 7.

6. Writ for dissolving the convocation of the province of Canterbury, 4 Charles I.; f. 11.

7. Writ of summons of a convocation, 21 Hen. VIII.; f. 11.

8. Summons to parliament of the archbishop of Canterbury, 24 Sep. 16 Hen. VIII.; f. 12.

9. Notes from records, and arguments respecting the power of the church; f. 13.

10. Titles of "Statutes made during the reign of King Henry III., King Edward I., and King Edward II., whereof there be records in the Tower."

11. Titles of "Statutes reputed to be made during the reigns of King Henry III., Edward I., and Edward II., whereof there be no records to be found in the Tower or elsewhere."

12. Transcripts of some and notices of many other writs on the patent and close rolls which relate to affairs of the church, and especially to the summoning of convocations.

13. Extracts from ecclesiastical and monastic registers; viz.

(1.) "Registrum de Boxgrave, vetustus liber, apud Rob. Cotton eq. aur. et baronettum;" now Cott. Claud. A. VI.

(2.) "Liber Eliensis conscriptus a Richardo Eliensi, apud Rob. Cotton," &c. A few notes are added from another book of Ely in the possession of S. Stewart.

(3.) Registrum Wigorniense, apud v. c. Rob. Cotton, written in a Saxon hand, before the conquest; *i. e.* Heminge Wigorniensis.

(4.) "Registrum abbatiæ Abendonensis, apud v. c. Rob. Cotton."

(5.) "Codex Landavensis ecclesiæ, sed recenter scriptus; inter libros Johannis Pontesii."

(6.) "Codex Theokesburiensis, recens scriptus;" in the same library.

(7.) "Registrum Walteri de Moniton abbatis Glaston' secundum; penes illustr. com. Arundel."

The extracts from these registers were made by Selden.

14. Patent of creation of John Ramsey of Brodbury, Knight, Viscount Hadington, dated 8th April 4 James.

15. Creation of the earldom of Oxford, from an old book in possession of the earl.

16. Inquisition respecting the house of Abbotsbury and the fishermen of Langton, 6 Hen. VI.

17. A few extracts from the registers of the archbishops of Canterbury.

18. Extracts from the rolls of parliament of affairs concerning the clergy.

19. "Abstracta registri Cantuariensis, a Peckham usque Cranmer." This is the general heading to a series of extracts and abstracts from the registers of the following archbishops, for there is nothing later than Chicheley: Peckham *, Winchelsey, Reynold, Islip, Langham, Wittlesey, Sudbury, Courtnay, Arundell, Chicheley. See more ample extracts in vol. LXXIX. The abstracts of the contents of these registers are not in strict chronological order, Reynold's following Langham's. The series is also interrupted by the introduction of

20. Titles of the papal bulls in "Registrum bullarum in custodiâ camerariorum in thesauro Westm'." This is the liber A. of the office and the Fœdera: and

21. Extracts from the liber Landavensis, lent to Selden by Theophilus Field, Bishop of Llandaff.

22. An imperfect treatise on the history of the later kings of India, and of Persia and Greece.

23. A few notes out of the rolls of parliament.

24. Transcripts of a few documents from the patent rolls.

25. "Out of Mr. Bradshaw's book." This consists of brief notices of placita in the reign of Edward I.

26. A commission from Queen Elizabeth to the Mar-

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* The second of the letters from the patent rolls of Edward I. in the *Fœdera*, vol. I. p. 598, is entered in Peckham's register, and in his copy the word "statutum" precedes "concilii nostri," and is wanted to complete the sense. In the register of the same archbishop is a letter of the prelates to the king relating to the affair of the bishop of Saint Asaph, which seems to have led to those peremptory mandates of the king, and which ought to have found a place in the *Fœdera*.

quis of Winchester and others to visit the dioceses of Rochester, Canterbury, Chichester, and Winchester.

27. A royal address to an assembly of clergy, at which it appears were present Ethelwold Bishop of Winchester and Oswald Bishop of Worcester.

28. A mandate from James I. to the commissary of the prerogative court of the Archbishop of Canterbury, requiring him to grant administration of the goods of the Earl of Berkshire, lately deceased (Sir Francis Norris), to Bridget his widow.

29. Extract from the patent roll, 41 Edw. III. p. 1. m. 11., respecting coals at Newcastle upon Tyne.

30. " De superioritate maris Angliæ, et jure officii admirallatûs in eodem." This is not a treatise on the subject, but four documents relating to it.

31. Charter to the city of London, granted by King James in the sixth year of his reign, by which the jurisdiction of the city is extended over the precincts of various dissolved religious houses; viz.

The priory of the church of the Holy Trinity near Aldgate.

The priory of Saint Bartholomew near Smithfield.

The friars predicants near Ludgate, commonly called the black friars.

The prior of the brethren of the order of Saint Mary of Mount Carmel in Fleet Street, commonly called the white friars.

The hospital and liberty of Cole Harbour.

32. Copy of the commission for hearing and determining claims at the coronation of King Charles II., and the proceedings of the commission at large.

XXXIII. (XXXV.)

Abstracts of Placita in Communi Banco, 1—24 Edw. I. To this book there is an index.

XXXIV. (XXXVI.)

1. " Abbreviatio Placitorum in curiâ regis," for the whole reign of King Edward I. There is an index of the names of places mentioned and of the adjudicata.

2. A second set of notes of these proceedings, entitled " Omissa in primâ abbreviatione," with indexes. These are in two portions, the former extending to the twenty-first of the reign, the latter from that time to the end.

XXXV. (XXXVII.)

1. " Abbreviatio Placitorum in curiâ regis," 1—22 Edw. III., with index rerum and table of adjudicata.

2. 23—43 Edw. III., with index locorum and adjudicata.

3. 44—51 Edw. III., with index rerum and adjudicata.

XXXVI. (XXXIX.)

Placita and Assisæ, 1—15 John, with a few fragments of records of uncertain years.

XXXVII. (XL.)

Placita coram rege during the reigns of Richard II. and Henry IV., with a slight index rerum. They are in three portions, and in the following arrangement; viz. 13—22 Ric. II.; 1—14 Hen. IV.; 1—13 Ric. II.

Between the first and second portion is introduced a copy, abbreviated, of a fine, in which the deforciant is " Ricardus nuper Rex Angliæ chivaler." *

* The fine was levied at Westminster, a die Sancti Martini in xv. dies 1 Henrici IV. The plaintiff was Thomas de Rempston, and the parcels were the manors of Bingham and Clopton-o'-th'-hill juxta Plumtre in the county of Nottingham, with the advowson of the church of Bingham, which the deposed king

XXXVIII. (XLI.)

1. Slight memoranda from the STATUTES from Hen. VI. to James I.

2. Notes from the close and patent rolls of Edward II. concerning parliament.

3. Notes from the rolls of parliament, 1 Edw. II.—31 Hen. VI. These are for the most part in chronological order, but at the end of the volume there is a leaf of the reign of Edward III.

XXXIX. (XLII.)

This volume consists of two parts, the subjects of which are entirely unconnected with each other.

1. A collection of proceedings in the common law courts respecting ECCLESIASTICAL persons and affairs, in the reigns of Edward I. and Edward II., taken from the placita of those reigns, the entries being copied at full length.

2. Inquisitions of the tenants of the hundred of BAMPTON in Oxfordshire in the time of Edward I.; and similar inquisitions for other portions of the county of Oxford.

There is also near the beginning of the volume an account of some proceedings in the reign of Edward VI. concerning the prior and convent of the Holy Trinity of Dublin.

It may be expedient to add a list of the extracts from the placita in the first portion of this volume.

(1.) " Ceste le monstrance le conte de Cornwaille, 6 Edw. I.

(2.) Coram rege apud Westm. Hill. term, 7 Edw. I. Staff. rot. 8.

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recognised to be the right of the said Thomas, for which Thomas gave the king fifty marks of silver. The fine was known to Thoroton, who refers to it in the accounts which he gives of Bingham and Clopton, but there is nothing from which we can infer why such a fine was necessary.

(3.) Apud Nottingham, Hill. term, 21 Edw. fil. Hen. Ebor. rot. 23.

(4.) Coram domino rege et ejus consilio ad parliamentum suum post festum Sancti Hillarii, et etiam post Pascham, 18 Edw. fil. Hen. This is the petition of William de Valence, which is in the printed rolls.

(5.) Coram domino rege apud Sandwicum, Hill. term, 22 Edw. fil. Hen.

(6.) Coronæ coram Johanne de Berwicke et sociis suis justic' itiner' in com' Kanc' a die S. Mich. in xv. dies, 21 Edw.

(7.) Pasch. 23 Edw. fil. Hen.

(8.) Apud Ebor. 27 Edw. fil. Hen. Wigor. rot. 23.

(9.) Apud Ebor. Hill. term, 30 Edw. fil. Hen. rot. 31.

(10.) Apud Westm. Trin. term, 6 Edw. fil. Edw.

(11.) Apud Westm. Mich. term, 9 Edw. fil. Edw. Kanc. rot. 26.

(12.) Apud Westm. Trin. term, 9 Edw. fil. Edw. Sussex, rot. 109.

(13.) Ebor. Mich. term, 12 Edw. fil. Edw. Cornub', rot. 22.

(14.) Ebor. Mich. term, 13 Edw. fil. Edw. Kanc. rot. 10.

(15.) Westm. Trin. term, 13 Edw. fil. Edw. Hertford. rot. 15.

(16.) Coram rege in parliamento suo, Pasch. term, 8 Edw. fil. Edw. apud Westm.*

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* I do not observe this in the printed parliament rolls; the question raised was the right of the ecclesiastical courts to cite persons who were of the king's court. An appeal in a cause of matrimony and divorce was made by Maud de Neirford, daughter of William de Neirford, Knight, deceased, of the diocese of Norwich, against Isabel de Barr Countess of Warren, the king's niece; she refused to appear, as being "in comitivâ dominæ reginæ consortis domini regis," to the citation of the archdeacon of Norfolk.

(17.) Westm. Trin. term, 14 Edw. fil. Edw. Oxon. rot. 20.

(18.) Ebor. Mich. term, 16 Edw. fil. Edw. Nott. rot. 5.

(19.) Ebor. Mich. term, 17 Edw. fil. Edw. Oxon. rot. 7. and also rot. 38.

(20.) Wigorn. Hill. term, 17 Edw. fil. Edw. Hereford, rot. 87.

(22.) Westm. Mich. term, 18 Edw. fil. Edw. London.

(23.) Westm. Mich. term, 19 Edw. fil. Edw. Lincoln. rot. 53.

XL. (XLIII.)

A long reading in French on the CHARTA DE FORESTA and other forest laws.

XLI. (XLIV.)

Modern transcripts of the ITERS following:—

1. "Nott. coram W. de Herle et sociis," 3 Edw. III.

2. "Bedeford coram Rob. de Arderne et sociis," 4 Edw. III.

3. "Derb. coram Wil. de Herle et sociis."

4. "Iter forestæ Henrici Comitis Lancastriæ in comitatu Lancastriæ, coram Willo de Blount et sociis;" 8 Edw. III.

5. "Iter forestæ Henrici Comitis Lancastriæ de Pikering, coram Ric. de Willoughby et sociis," 8 Edw. III.

This last iter contains a very ample account of the forest of Pickering, and of the rights enjoyed by the borderers or inhabitants, with copies at length of the charters in which many of those rights originated. Compare Maynard XII.

XLII. (XLV.)

Another book of ITERS containing,

1. "London coram Henrico [qu. Herveio] de Stenton et sociis, apud Turrim London," 14 Edw. fil. Edw.

2. " Kanc." 6 Edw. fil. Edw.

3. " Cornub. coram Johanne de Berewick apud Launceston," 30 Edw. I.

4. " Nott. coram Wil. de Herle et sociis," 3 Edw. III. Of this iter only four pages have been here transcribed.

5. Inquisition of the forest of Dean, returned " die Mercurii in die Cinerum 10 Edw. I.," relating to its boundaries, persons holding lands within it, privileges, &c.; also the forges, harbours, minerals, airies, honey, coal, dogs, &c.

6. " Placita forestæ de Dene apud Gloucestr' in oct. Sancti Hillarii 10 Edw., coram Lucâ de Thany et sociis, justiciariis ad eadem placita audienda et terminanda assignatis." This is not complete.

XLIII. (XLVI.)

This volume is lettered " LIBER NIGER ADMIRALITATIS," which is the title of the second of several treatises which are here collected.

1. " Antiqua custuma domino regi pertinens de hereditate suâ in quolibet portu Angliæ per manus custom' regis ibidem percipiend'." These are divided into custuma magna and parva.

2. A treatise in French on the office of admiral. It begins—*Puis que home est fait admirall*, &c., and ends—*ne rabatra riens pour les vitails.* Annexed to this is a treatise, also in French, on the duty of the master of a vessel, and an inquisition returned, 49 Edw. III., at Queensborough, concerning mariners.

3. " The statutes and ordinances to be kept in time of war."

4. " A remonstrance delivered to his Majesty in writing after the inhibition given by him to the lower house of parliament, as well by words of mouth as by letters, not to proceed in examining his right to impose without assent of parliament."

5. " Whether the barony of Burgavenny, with the title

and dignity, be descended unto the lady by the daughter and heir of the Hon. Henry Nevill, the late baron of Abergavenny, or unto the special heir male, unto whom the castle of Abergavenny (being antiently the head of the barony) is descended." This is in substance what is printed in Collins' *Proceedings, &c. on claims, &c. concerning baronies by writ*, 1734, p. 97, and there attributed to Mr. Serjeant Doddridge.

XLIV. (XLVII.)

Collections for the history of the Court of Chancery.

1. Heads of chapters for such a treatise.

2. " Breviatt out of the records in the Tower concerning the authority of the chancery, with directions to find the originals;" f. 1.

3. " De cancellario et cancellariâ;" f. 12.

4. " Recorda ex archivis Turris de cancellariâ;" f. 106.

5. " A discourse of the high courts of justice in England, and especially of the chancery court and of the lord chancellor, written by Mr. William Lambert, Armiger;" f. 169.

6. " Of the high courts of justice in England, and especially of the chancery court, and of the lord chancellor that judgeth therein;" f. 217.

7. " Some notes and observations upon the statute of Magna Charta, cap. 29, and other statutes concerning the proceedings in chancery, in courts of equity and good conscience;" f. 233.

8. " The Earl of Oxford's case in chancery, Mich. 13 Jac.;" f. 254 b.

9. " A judgment upon a statute;" f. 258 b.

10. " Allen's case in chancery;" f. 260 b.

11. " The king's order and decree in chancery for a rule to be observed by the lord chancellor in that court, exemplified and enrolled for a perpetual record there, anno 1616;" f. 266.

12. " A letter written by my lord keeper Sir Nicholas Bacon unto the lords of the councell concerning Francis

Kemp, complainant, concerning the office of the clerkship of the hamper, anno 1564;" f. 270.

13. "The opinion of Sir James Dyer, Knight, lord chief justice of the Common Pleas, and other of the Queen's Majesty's justices of the courts of Westminster, by virtue of her Majesty's letter of privy seal to them directed, concerning the jurisdictions and liberties of the county palatine of Chester, and the authority of the chamberlain and his office there;" f. 272.

14. "A discourse written by Mr. John Sheldon, studient [*sic*] in the Middle Temple, London, and dedicated unto Sir Francis Bacon, Knight, lord keeper of the great seal of England, of the mention [*sic*], conjunction, or division of the two great offices of state, the chancellorship and keeper of the great seal of England, in anno 1617;" f. 277.

15. "An act of councell to establish order in legal proceedings in the islands of Jersey and Guernsey. At Westminster, the 18th of June 1565;" f. 288 b.

16. "An act of councell to establish an order in the legal proceedings in the isles of Jersey and Guernsey. At Westminster, the 13th of May anno 1572;" f. 289.

17. "The cases of conscience generally practised in the chancery;" f. 291.

18. "An ordinance published by Sir Nicholas Bacon, lord keeper of the great seal of England, concerning commissions in perpetuâ rei memoriâ, the 10th of December anno 3° Eliz.;" f. 296 b.

19. "The constitutions and orders renewed and established in the prison of the Fleet, anno Domini 1561;" f. 298.

20. "A grant of the chancellorship, anno 7 Henrici VIII.;" f. 307.

21. "The antiquity of the lord chancellor of England's office, collected by Mr. Tate of the Middle Temple, London;" f. 309.

22. "Ordinances, explained by Mr. Cooke, upon the estate of the chancery courts in anno 1554;" f. 315.

XLV. (L.)

A large volume of transcripts from the CHARTÆ ANTIQUÆ at the Tower, A. to Q., containing copies of charters of our early kings from the Conqueror to Henry III., with a few of the Saxon kings; also of the Queens Consort Matilda and Eleanora; of the Empress Maud; of Eustace Earl of Bologne, son of King Stephen; and of many other of the most eminent persons of that early period. Made for Sir Matthew Hale.

XLVI. (XLVIII.)

Other transcripts from the CHARTÆ ANTIQUÆ, AA. to NN.

In this volume are also transcripts out of the patent and close rolls, 5 John—11 Hen. III., and a few transcripts from the chartæ, 16 John, of documents which relate to the intercourse between England and the see of Rome.

XLVII. (XLIX.)

Transcripts of GRANTS of ABBEY LANDS and of OFFICES by King Henry VIII., licences of alienation, &c. At f. 136 are a few documents, not royal grants, relating to private properties.

In this volume is also a document entitled, "Articles to be enquired of by the commissioners named in the commission hereunto annexed, touching the value of all the lands spiritual and temporal belonging to the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of Norwich." The commission bears date 16th July 30 Hen. VIII.

XLVIII.—LXV.

These eighteen volumes contain Sir Matthew Hale's transcript of the ROLLS OF PARLIAMENT,

from the reign of King Edward I. to the close of the reign of King Edward IV. This transcript was found of very material service when the rolls, as far as they were then known to exist, were printed by order of parliament.

The several volumes in the series, with the number of each corresponding volume, according to the arrangement in the library, will be found below, with an account of the portion of the rolls in each volume.

XLVIII. (LIV.) 18—35 Edw. I. To this volume there is an imperfect index.

XLIX. (LV.) 5—9 Edw. II.

L. (LVI.) 4, 5, and 6 Edw. III.; 13—29 Edw. III.; 36, 37, and 38 Edw. III.

LI. (LVII.) 40—51 Edw. III.

LII. (LVIII.) 1—6 Ric. II.

LIII. (LIX.) 7—15 Ric. II.

LIV. (LX.) 16—21 Ric. II.

LV. (LXI.) 1—5 Hen. IV.

LVI. (LXII.) 6—13 Hen. IV.

LVII. (LXIII.) 1—5 Hen. V.

LVIII. (LXIV.) 7—9 Hen. V.

LIX. (LXV.) 1—3 Hen. VI.

LX. (LXVI.) 4—11 Hen. VI.

LXI. (LXVII.) 14—23 Hen. VI.

LXII. (LXVIII.) 25—39 Hen. VI.

LXIII. (LXIX.) 1—4 Edw. IV.

LXIV. (LIII.) 7—14 Edw. IV.

LXV. (LII.) 14—22 Edw. IV.

At the end of vol. XLIX. (LV.) are,

1. "Leges Henrici I., transcriptæ ex libro rubro Scaccarii ex parte rememoratoris regis; f. 16—20."

2. "Capita libri rubri in Scaccario."

LXVI. (LXXI.)

A large and splendid volume of the STATUTES from the beginning of the reign of Edward III.

to the third year of King Henry VII., about which period it was written. It is on fine vellum, and has several illuminations; in the initial letter are these arms: gules, a chevron ermine between three leopards' heads argent, with a white greyhound collared and chained for the crest, which are probably the arms of the person for whose use the volume was prepared. The name "Ricus Fulbroke" appears in an old hand on one of the covers.

Prefixed is an alphabetical index of the principal matters; immediately following which is a copy of the statute against Hugh le Despencer and his accomplices, which appears to have been discovered by the compiler after the reign of Edward III. was completed, and is therefore here placed by itself. By an early hand, but perhaps not that of the scribe by whom the volume was prepared, this statute is said to be "anno Edwardi Secundi primo;" but this is a mistake, it is of the first year of King Edward III. This mistake has misled the author of the printed catalogue, who describes this volume as containing the statutes of the reign of King Edward II.

LXVII. (LXXII.)

A folio manuscript on vellum, of the age of King Edward III. It contains,

1. The proceedings of the "iter apud Northampton tentum coram Galfrido le Scrop et sociis suis, 3 Edw. III."
2. "Iter apud Derb. coram Will. de Herle et sociis suis, 3 Edw. III."
3. "Iter apud Nottingham coram W. de Herle et sociis suis, 3 Edw. III."
4. Year books of 1—4 Edw. III.

LXVIII. (LXXIII.)

A folio manuscript on vellum of the fourteenth century, consisting of 178 leaves, fairly written, in

two columns, and partially illuminated, containing in continued series various HISTORICAL and GEOGRAPHICAL TREATISES.

1. A chronicle, chiefly of sacred history, from the foundation of the world:—*Testante Sacrâ Scripturâ Deus in principio cœlum et terram creavit*, &c. The Jewish history is accompanied with slight notices of contemporary events in the history of Greece, Rome, and Britain. The writer is very ample in his account of the life of our Saviour, and of the labours of the Apostles; afterwards the history is brief, following the course of the succession of the popes to the death of Innocent VI. in 1362. There is a continuation by other hands to the time of Pope Innocent VIII., 1489. It consists of fifty leaves.

2. A brief history of the antient world, and continued through the course of the succession of the Roman emperors down to Frederick, successor of Otho, in 1220:—*Ad Dei glorificationem omnis Sacra Scriptura*, &c. To this is added a collection of legends of prodigies and miracles. Twenty-four leaves.

3. A geographical treatise, containing brief descriptions of all the countries then known:—*Divinis et humanis rebus Julius Cæsar singulariter instructus*, &c. This is continued through twenty-one leaves, when, without any notice of a new subject being commenced, the writer recurs again to the British islands, which are described with much more minuteness than the other parts of the world, beginning with Ireland.*

* The account given of the course of the four great roads varies so much from that generally found in the geographical descriptions of England, in writings of the middle ages, that it will probably be acceptable to the reader.

1. The Foss, which is said to be the greatest of all, proceeds from Totness to Bath, Cirencester, Codeswold near Coventry, Leicester, Lincoln, Berwick, and forward to Caithness.

2. The Watling Street, from Dover to the neighbourhood of London, to St. Alban's, Dunstaple, Stratford,

4. Another description of the British isles, especially England, with an epitome of its early history. Eleven leaves.

5. A treatise, entitled "Vade mecum in tribulationibus." *Intentio prima in tribulationibus*, &c. Seven leaves.

6. The history of the Normans from Rollo:—*Tempore Ethelredi Regis Angliæ quidam paganus, Rollo nomine*, &c. Two leaves.

7. "De Britanniâ." The history deduced from the Trojans, and through the course of the emperors of Rome. *De Veteri et de Novo Testamento*, &c. Eleven leaves.

8. "Incipit vita Merlini cum propheciis." Out of this arises the history of Arthur, which is treated at great length; after which, without any intimation that a new subject was about to be taken up, we have the history briefly narrated of the Saxon kings, till at the Conquest the narrative becomes more full; and fuller still as we proceed, till in the reign of Edward III. it has expanded into a valuable and interesting chronicle of events. The latest entry is of an event which belongs to the year 1365.* There are appended to this chronicle, in the same hand, a genealogical table of the royal house of England, beginning with Rollo, and ending with the children of King Edward III.; and a table which is intended to illustrate the claim of Edward III. to the crown of France.

Towcester, Mount Gilbert near Shrewsbury, Stratton, Cardigan.

3. Belinstrete, from Menevia [St. David's] to Southampton.

4. Belingstrete, from Menevia by Hereford, Worcester, Wiche, Bermingham, Lichfield, Derby, Chesterfield, York, to the mouth of the Tyne, where is Tynemouth.

* "In fine ejusdem anni Willielmus de Wikham factus est episcopus Wintoniæ; quomodo consecratus in posteris plenius explicetur. Dictum fuit à vulgo quod episcopus Bathoniæ, Johannes Barnet, deberet transferri ad episcopatum Eliensem."

Bound up in the same volume are several other historical writings of greater or less value, of which the most valuable is

9. A kalendary chronicle. This commences with the birth of Christ, and is continued in the same hand to the year 1355, except that in a few instances entries have been made by a later hand. From that time it is continued by a later hand, which was that of Willielmus Wymundham, as appears by what he himself says at the close in 1534. In the earlier portions of this chronicle we have notices of the Roman and Christian affairs; the deaths of saints and martyrs; the succession of the popes; eclipses; prodigies. As it proceeds English affairs become more and more prominent, till it becomes almost entirely English. Wymundham's portion is much fuller than the early parts. Some few events of public interest may perhaps be found peculiar to this chronicle; and it contains several entries of events interesting to the religious of the house of Kirkby-Beler in Leicestershire, to whom it is evident that the manuscript once belonged, and whose chronicle this may properly be called.

10. A list, written in the reign of Henry VIII., of all the parishes in Leicestershire, distributed according to the hundreds.

11. " Longitudo et latitudo Angliæ."

12. A table of English sovereigns from the Conquest to Henry VIII., with the dates of the coronations and the deaths of each, the duration of the reign, and the place of sepulture. In this table the duration of the reign is not reckoned from the day of coronation, but from the day of the death or deposition of the preceding sovereign.

13. The succession of English kings in Latin verse, written in the time of King Henry VI., and continued by a later hand to the reign of Henry VIII.

14. On weights and measures used in England.

15. Assize of bread.

16. " A writ called Dedimus potestatem."

17. " The charge gyffyng unto every scheryff."

18. " Utrum bulla papalis sit vera an non." *

On the two concluding leaves are written various pieces of Latin verse, some of which are historical.

Respecting former possessors of this curious volume we have in the illumination of the initial letter the arms: nebuleé, argent and sable, on a quarter gules, a mullet or, which are probably those of the original possessor. At the beginning of the fifteenth century it belonged to Bartholomew Brokesby, by whom, in 1427, it was given to the house of Kirkby-Beler. This appears by the following memorandum in the book itself:—

> Memorandum, quod Bartholomeus Brokesby Armiger dedit istum librum prioratui de Kyrkeby super Wrethek, anno Domini mill'mo cccc^{mo}xx^{mo}vii^{mo}. Qui alienaverit, anathema sit. Amen.

The name of a later owner, " John Thynne," also appears in the volume; but there is nothing to show by what means it came into the hands of Sir Matthew Hale.

LXIX. (LXXIV.)

A very fair manuscript in folio on vellum, containing the Statutes from Magna Charta to the second year of King Henry V., about which time it was written. Like most other collections of the statutes, it contains the Great and Little Hengham, and many other writings relating to the laws and usages of the time, the whole being in 226 chapters. There are prefixed a calendar, a table of contents, and a large table of capitula.

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* The secret was this: " Si vis scire utrum literæ domini Papæ sint veraces vel non, numera punctos quæ sunt in bullâ. Et si inveneris circulum ubi sunt capita apostolorum habentem 73 punctos, alium vero circulum 46, alium super caput Beati Petri habentem 26, alium super caput Sancti Pauli habentem 25 punctos, et punctos quæ sunt in barbâ 26, veraces sunt; alioquin falsæ."

LXX. (LXXV.)

A folio of the smaller size, written in two columns on vellum, of the fifteenth century, containing " Liber altercationum CHRISTIANÆ PHILOSOPHIÆ contra erroneas et seductiles paganorum philosophorum versucias." *Omnis familia Summi et veri Dei*, &c.

This book formerly belonged to William Cosyn of Cam, the gift of Thomas Cornish, chantor of the church of Saint Andrew of Wells.

LXXI. (LXXVI.)

A folio manuscript on paper, with a few leaves of vellum, entitled, in a modern hand, " LIBER MATHEMATICUS incerti authoris." It was written in Italy, probably early in the fifteenth century. The diagrams are drawn with singular elegance and delicacy.

It is a treatise on optics; the preface begins thus:—*Ante physicæ considerationis studia lux*, &c. The work is divided into two parts, of which the first begins,—*Charitatis amatori fratri Willielmo de Morbechâ*, &c.; and the second, *Promisso libro passiones speculorum sphericorum et cavorum*, &c.*

(LXXII. LXXVII.)

A folio manuscript on paper, in a hand of the fifteenth century, containing various LAW TRACTS, bound in the following order:

1. A registrum brevium.

2. A treatise on tenures:—*Tenur per service de chevalier est tenur per humage*, &c. The latter part of this treatise is wanting.

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* On a fly leaf of this volume the proportionality of the sun's diameter to that of the earth is stated to be as 11 to 2.

3. " Un liver de exposicion de lez tenures fait a toy mon fitz a pluis meillour apprender et intender les." In three books. This is Littleton's treatise.

4. Reports for all the terms of the 38th and 39th of Edw. III.

5. Reports of the 2, 6, 7, 8, 11, 13, also 10, 21, and 22 Ric. II.

6. Reports, 10 Edw. IV., and " De termino Sancti Michaelis anno ab incohatione H. VI^ti. et readeptionis regiæ potestatis suæ primo."

7. Reports, 5 Hen. V.

Interspersed are —

1. An explanation of the powers of the Arabic numerals in respect of their place.

2. Commission of the justices itinerant, and writ to the sheriff.

3. Of the knight's fee, and its subdivisions.

4. Notice of the fees to be demanded in the various steps of proceedings at law.

5. Table of the kings.

In the binding of this volume a printed paper has been used which is a brief granted by Pope Julius II., recommending Michael de Paleologo, a Constantinopolitan, to the benevolence of the Christian world.

This volume was purchased for twelve shillings by Sir Matthew Hale of Mr. Washington, a dealer in antient manuscripts.

LXXIII. (LXXVIII.)

A small folio, of the time of King Charles I., containing references to the records at the Tower for information respecting the County of Gloucester.

1. To the patent, close, fine, and charter rolls, from the reign of John to that of Edward IV.

2. To the inquisitions post mortem and ad quod damnum, from 1 Edw. I. to 3 Ric. III.

It seems to have been taken from the office calendars.

LXXIV. (LXXIX.)

A similar volume for the County of Leicester, but of the inquisitions only.

The name of the collector appears to have been Mr. W. Swynford of Leicestershire.

LXXV. (LXXX.)

A folio volume consisting of numerous distinct pieces.

1. Extract from the parliament roll, 46 Edw. III. art. 43.

2. Extracts from placita in the custody of the chamberlains of the Exchequer, beginning with 6 Edw. I.; placita in curiâ regis and in parliamento; and also from the petitiones in parliamento. There are also a few from placita exercitûs, and from the iters.

3. Extract from an old book belonging to Mr. Strangman, of the different species of tenures in England.

4. A large extract from the placita of the county of Chester, 20 Edw. III., N° 75, in which Edward de Warren and Cecilia his wife are complainants against John de Arderne.

5. A short treatise on the law of England and the courts, commencing thus: *Omne jus aut necessitas fecit aut consensus constituit, aut formavit consuetudo. In this is comprehended all our laws of England, that is to say, common law, custom, and statute law,* &c.

6. " Attainder of Henry VI., and divers lords and others."

7. " Modus procedendi in placitis terræ in hustengo London'." To this are added notes respecting the customs of the city of London, and a paper entitled, " Orders taken and enacted for orphans and their portions, 5 Edw. VI."

8. " The argument of Justice Walmesley in the Exchequer Chamber, for the assize between Lord Cromwell and Andrewes, xx. die Octobris, 41 Eliz., 1599."

9. Notes of readings on the law of devise of tenures in socage.

10. Readings upon the " Statut de explanation sur le statut de darrein volunte, anno 34 et 35 Hen. VIII. c. 5." To this and the preceding the name of A. Gylbert is subscribed as if he were the author, with the date 2 and 3 Ph. and Mar.

11. " Whether any estate of lands or tenements may pass from his highness."

12. A few notes respecting the manor of Macclesfield.

13. " A note of such lands as passed the great seal of England in fee, and were all, or the most part, of the antient earldom of Chester," 8 Edw. I.—1 Mariæ.

14. " Certain errors upon the statute made 25 Edw. III. of children born beyond the sea, conceived by Serjeant Browne and compiled by Serjeant Fairfax, in manner of a dialogue." This tract is cited by Hargrave, *Co. Litt.* 8a. n. 1.

15. " Archeion, or the high courts of justice in England, by Mr. Lambert of Lincoln's Inn, anno 1584." This manuscript varies greatly from the edition of this treatise published in 1635, 12mo., both in the arrangement and the text. Its readings seem in general to deserve the preference.

16. " Mr. Guyn's preface to his readings."

17. " Reports de la reverend et erudite Thomas Owen, un des justices de Comon Banke al Westm'," 28—39 Elizabeth. " Transcribed out of his own book, July 1600." Some of these are not found in the volume of Owen's Reports, printed in 1650.

18. " Le case Harvye vers Facye."

19. " Nicholl's case."

20. " The argument of Mr. John Walter in the case of King James his hospital, made for Baxter."

21. " Baron Altham's argument in le case de commendams."

22. " Touching the jurisdiction of the chancery." An

opinion given to King James, signed Fran. Bacon and Hen. Yelverton.

23. Argument in the Abergavenny peerage case.

24. " Errores in camerâ Scaccarii apud Westmonasterium."

25. " L'argument des justices del Comon Banke, M. 37 and 38 Eliz." Germyn and Ascott.

26. " Notes concerning aid to the King to make Prince Henry knight, 8 April 1611."

27. " Rotulus de clamiis ad coronationem regis irrotulatis de anno tercio Jacobi Regis."

28. A few brief notes of grants of office by King James.

29. Copies of the patents of twelve peers created in the first year of King James, and of the restoration of the Earl of Southampton.

LXXVI. (LXXXI.)

Various Law Pieces.

1. Placita de quo warranto in com. Glouc., 15 Edw. I. Modern transcript.

2. Placita coronæ in com. Glouc., 15 Edw. I. Modern transcript.

3. Extract from the placita forestæ among the records in the treasury of the receit of the Exchequer, respecting the forests of Kingswood and Filwood in com. Som. et Glouc., temp. Edw. IV.

4. Extract from the placita parliamenti 18 Edw. I., relating to the burgesses of Newcastle and the prior of Tynemouth.

5. " A declaration how kings of England have from time to time supported and repaired their estates, collected out of the records of the Tower, by William Noye, Esq. and the Attorney General, anno decimo Caroli Regis." This is the treatise which is printed by Howell in his *Cottoni Posthuma*, 8vo., 1651, and there attributed to Sir Robert Cotton.

6. " The copy of his Majesty's letters patent granted to Sir Job Harby, Robert Charlton, Roger Vivian, Thomas Benist, and William Langhorne, touching the pre-emption of tynn, with a release of 4,000*l.* per annum out of that farme."

7. Report of proceedings in the star chamber, Attorney General against Richard Glover and others, for contempts, &c. in respect of the grant about pre-emption of tin.

LXXVII. (LXXXII.)

A volume of HISTORICAL AND LEGAL MISCELLANIES, about half filled.

1. Order in council, 6th April 1638: sentence of consecration and other documents relating to the church then recently erected in Covent Garden, in the parish of St. Martin's in the Fields.

2. " Casus cujusdam Fines Leonard." This concerns the rights of persons of English parents born abroad.

3. Decree in the court of the duchy of Lancaster, 16th Feb. 1637, concerning the lead mines in the wapentake of Wirksworth; Henry Earl of Dover, Sir Abraham Dawes, Sir Robert Sharpey, Knights, John Curzon, Esq., George Drywood, Thomas Wright, Richard Carrier, Bridget Rogers, and Nathaniel Sayer, complainants, against Sir Robert Heath, Knight, Cornelius Vermuyden, John Molanus, and Anthony Coates, defendants.

4. An inspeximus of King James I., in the second year of his reign, reciting several intermediate inspeximuses, and ultimately a charter of King Edward III. granting certain privileges to the goldsmiths of the city of London, and a charter of King Richard II. to the same in the third year of his reign.

5. A few brief notes of proclamations in the time of James I. respecting the affairs of the goldsmiths company.

6. " Vera copia literarum regis super inquisitionem admiralitatûs com. Norff.," 5 Edw. IV.; and writ of

Richard Duke of Gloucester, admiral of England, Ireland, and Aquitaine, respecting rights claimed by the abbot and convent of Ramsey on the coast of Norfolk. These are said to be, " Ex veteri libro de Ramsey penes Wil. Savile Mil."

7. " De jacturâ maris apud Ringstead." This is a copy of a charter granted by the Conqueror to the abbot of Ramsey of, inter alia, jactura maris at Ringstead and Brancaster. It is addressed to Lanfranc the archbishop, and the witnesses are Odo Bishop of Baieux, William de Warren, Eudo Dapifer, and Ivo Taillebois. It is said to be copied " Ex veteri libro de Ramsey penes Hen. Spelman Mil."

8. " The passages and proceedings against feoffees in trust for the buying in of impropriations and advowsons, &c., in the Exchequer Chamber, 9 Caroli, anno Dom. 1633."

9. Copies of forest rolls for the county of Oxford, especially of the placita before W. le Breton, 40 Hen. III., in the treasury of the receit of the Exchequer.

10. An incomplete copy of a patent granted to James Earl of Carlisle respecting the Caribbee islands.

11. " Officium marescalli et constabularii Angliæ tam tempore pacis quam guerræ."

12. Writ of King Charles I., in the first year of his reign, concerning the customs.

13. " Ex historiâ Crowlandensi, continuatione Ingulphi."

14. From the close roll, 9 Ric. II. m. 48: " De certis bonis et mercimoniis dearestandis."

15. Extract from placita coram rege apud Ebor', Trin. term 29 Edw I. rot. 24.

16. From the close roll, 42 Edw. III. m. 8. in dorso: " Cognitio abbatis de Bruerîâ."

17. Order of the common council of the city of London concerning orphans, 5 Edw. VI.

18. Extract from placita, 5 Edw. III.: the Earl of Kent.

19. Charter from King Charles I. to Philip Earl of Montgomery respecting the settlement of the islands of Trinidad, Tobago, Barbudos, and Fonseca alias Saint Bernard. Incomplete.

20. Extract from placita, 11 Hen. IV. rot. 27, on a question between John Marsh and the lord mayor and sheriffs of London.

21. Extract from placita before the justices itinerant at Derby, 4 Edw. III. rot. 17.

22. Order in council respecting the commerce of the citizens of Hamburgh with England, 16th April 1630.

23. The king's letter to the Archbishop of Canterbury to summon the clergy to a convocation, 20th Feb. 15 Car. I.

24. Extract from the lords journals, die Sabbati 28th Aug. 1641.

25. Extract from the register of the see of Canterbury of a grant of 100,000*l.* by the prelates and clergy to the king in 1530; and notices of other subsidies granted in the reigns of Mary, Elizabeth, and James. Also notices of royal writs, chiefly in the reign of Charles I., concerning the powers and business of the convocation.

26. Extract from the commons journals, die Martis 20th April 1641, relating to the case of Mr. Prynne.

27. " Orders to be taken by the court of Exchequer for London." Relates to the customs.

28. From the close roll, 18 Edw. III. m. 12: " Pro hominibus de Marshland."

29. A slight sketch of the descent of Anne (Clifford) Countess of Pembroke.

30. Grant by King John to Robert de Veteri Ponte of the county of Westmorland.

31. Extract from placita 4 Hen. fil Joh.: Rob. de Veteri Ponte and Idonea his wife against Alice Countess of Eu, respecting the castle and town of Tykenhull [Tickhill.]

32. Notes respecting a question of prisage between Sir Gervas Elwes, lieutenant of the Tower, and the city of London.

33. A few extracts from the close rolls of Hen. III. and Edw. III.

34. King Henry the First's confirmation of grants to the church of St. Mary de Belvero, and the church of St. Alban.

35. Inquisition respecting the breaking the "firgatum" of Nicholas de Stapleton at West Hadlesey in Yorkshire.

36. "Privileges and liberties granted by several charters to the mayor, constables, and society of merchants of the staple of England."

37. "Reasons for maintenance of the policion of the merchants of the staple of England, exhibited by them to the lords of his Majesty's privy council."

38. Memoranda relating to the question of prisage, and a few other notes from the rolls, which appear to be first notes, fairly transcribed in papers in the earlier parts of the volume.

LXXVIII. (LXXXIII.)

Another miscellany, like the last, of HISTORICAL AND LEGAL PAPERS.

1. Documents respecting the college or free chapel of Wolverhampton; f. 1.

2. Numerous copies of writs and other documents relating to forests; f. 14.

3. Bull of Pope Nicholas V. respecting the priory of Daventry, 1451; f. 49.

4. "Placita versus forestarios pro prosternatione domuum in Heighull in com. Southampton;" f. 51.

5. Decree in the Exchequer against Sir Robert Sandie, Bart., and others, for money due to the King from the late dissolved company of merchants trading to the Levant, Mich. term 13 James; f. 52.

6. Charters respecting the admiralty of the port of Bristol; f. 56.

7. Extract from placita coram rege, 5 Edw. III., on a question of common of pasture at Herefeld; f. 60.

8. From the chartæ, 16 Edw. III. m. 4: grant to Edward Duke of Cornwall and Earl of Chester of certain manors, &c.; f. 65.

9. References to the patent, close, and fine rolls for matter respecting the Isle of Man, and a copy, but imperfect, of the surrender of it made by William Earl of Derby; f. 66.

10. From the patent roll, 1 Edw. III. p. 3. m. 14: "Pro priore et conventu de Lanceton;" f. 68.

11. Placita, 21 Edw. I. rot. 44. Manor of Kynfare; f. 71.

12. From the memoranda of the Exchequer, 1 Ric. III. Charge against Geffery Dormer of Thame in Oxfordshire, merchant, that he uses weights not according to the statute; f. 72.

13. An order in the court of Exchequer, 3 Ric. III., for the better receiving the sheriffs accounts; f. 77 b.

14. Extract from placita, concerning the chace of the Bishop of Winchester at Crunden; f. 80.

15. Extract from placita before the barons of the Exchequer, Hill. term 12 Edw. IV. John River, citizen and skinner of London, against Robert Cosyn, keeper of the great wardrobe; f. 101.

16. Writ from Thomas Viscount Wentworth deputy of Ireland, transmitting into the court of Chancery of England certain bills of things to be proposed in the next parliament in Ireland, 9 April 10 Charles I.; f. 102 b.

17. Notice of the farms for the town of Lyme; f. 103.

18. "A note of several heads of the green wax;" f. 103 b.

19. "The humble answeare of Frauncis Earle of Cumberland and Henri Lord Clifford, his sonne and heire apparent, to the petition and claime of Anne Countesse Dowager of Dorsett," with pedigree of Clifford annexed; f. 104.

20. Argument on the office of chamberlain of England; f. 107.

21. Letter from the king to Robert Bishop of Oxford,

that notwithstanding his surrender of the bishoprick for the purpose of its seat being removed to some other place within the said city, he exercise his jurisdiction as before. Dated 9 June, 38 Hen. VIII.; f. 108.

22. Orders of court, in King's Bench, 14 James. Signed, Hen. Hobart, Peter Warburton, H. Winch; f. 108 b.

23. "Ordinances provided in Easter term 8 James, by the right hon. Thomas Lord Ellesmere, lord chancellor of England, for the remedy of some disorders in the proceedings in causes, and some other abuses crept into his Majesty's high court of Chancery;" f. 110 b.

24. Collections relating to the duchy of Cornwall, including a copy of the accounts of Sir Peter Edgecombe and Roger Holland the feodaries there, in the reign of Henry VII.; f. 112.

25. From the register of Hugh de Welles Bishop of Lincoln respecting the church of Preston; f. 120.

26. A few slight notes from the close, fine, and parliament rolls; f. 120 b.

27. Bill and answer in the court of chancery, 21 Hen. VI.; Robert Johnson, bailiff of Scarborough, complainant, and Robert Hunmanby respondent. Respects the jurisdiction of the court; f. 122.

28. Mandamus to the bailiffs, aldermen, burgesses, and whole community of Canterbury to admit Richard Masterman to the office of mayor, to which he had been duly elected; f. 124.

29. Commission to Sir Richard Cholmeley and others, to seize the lands and goods of any subject of the King of Scotland in the county of Middlesex, 5 Hen. VIII. Like commissions were issued in respect of other counties; f. 125.

30. "Venia concessa ad Comitissam de Castlehaven;" f. 126.

31. Form of a writ respecting building in the city of London; f. 127.

32. Form of a writ for the establishment of a new office in the city of London and in other places, to be called

" Officium registri literarum cambii et receptûs proficui cambii;" f. 128.

33. Writ under the privy seal, 7 Hen. IV., "Pro tenentibus manerii regis de Haveringe in villâ de Rumford;" f. 130.

34. Inspeximus of a charter of Queen Eleanor respecting her chapel at Havering, and of other charters respecting the church of Havering; f. 131.

35. " A collection of the subsidies, xv.eens, paid into the receipt in the time of the late Queen Elizabeth, granted to her highness by several acts of parliament;" f. 132.

36. " A particular of the Tower subsidies and eight xv.ths and x.ths of the laiety, anno 43° Reginæ Elizabethæ, paid into the receipt;" f. 132 b.

37. Several papers relating to the court of admiralty and international law; f. 133—160.

(1.) A large treatise, the subject of which is set forth in the first clause. " Causa quæ proponitur ejusmodi est: Gennenses quidem, qui tribus navibus prætoriis per mare Mediterraneum vehebantur, in navem Turcicam preciosis mercibus onustam quæ Constantinopoli veniebat incederunt, eamque aggressi pro eo jure quo in Turcas hostes suos usi semper sunt, vi expugnarunt ceperuntque: mox deinde adversis ventis et tempestatibus diu acti, cum aliter servare se suamque predam non possent, portum insulæ Cretæ, quæ sub Venetorum imperio est, subire coacti sunt, ut inde mox solvere et predam suam preferre Gennam possent. Veneti, quemadmodum cum Gennensibus ita et cum Turcis pacem et amicitiam colunt; quæsitum est, an Turcæ apud Venetos prædam eam a Gennensibus repetere, et an Turcis eam judicare debeant Veneti quibuscum neutrâ gente quidquam hostile intercedit;" f. 133.

(2.) Sentence of Sir Julius Cæsar in the court of admiralty, in the case of the Santo Antonio, a Spanish vessel, March 8, 1605; f. 148 b.

(3.) Sentence in a cause between Henry de Yonge

appellant and the Count of Villa Mediana and another, 1613; f. 150 b.

(4.) Sentence of Sir Henry Martin, in the court of admiralty, respecting a Portuguese ship laden with ivory in the port of Ilfracombe, and other things respecting it, 1624; f. 152.

(5.) Sentence in a question between the ambassador of the King of Spain and Mark Dyas, Francis Mastion, Simon Pas, and others, 1626; f. 156 b.

(6.) Warrant of George Duke of Buckingham in a case of piracy; f. 158.

38. Presentation of the charge of libel against Nicholas Jeffe of the parish of Stepney, Gentleman, in the form of a petition to the King complaining of Sir Edward Coke in the matter of the Magdalene College case; f. 161.

39. Extract from pleas of assize at Launceston, 8 James; Bevill and Lynam; f. 167.

40. Extract from placita in Curiâ Regis, 18 Edw. II. rot. 28. Bailiff and mayor of Winchester; f. 168 b.

41. Extract from placita, 3· Edw. II., at Geresey; f. 169 b.

42. Extract from placita coram rege apud Lenne Episcopi, 6 Edw. III. rot. 28.; f. 171 b.

43. From close roll, 21 Edw. I. m. 8. dorso; Scotland; f. 173.

44. Writ de ventre inspiciendo in respect of Frances Countess of Sussex, who alledged that she was pregnant, to the disherison of Sir Edward Radcliffe, 23 Sep. 22 James; f. 173.

45. Writ relating to forests in the county of Rutland; f. 173 b.

46. Form of a writ: the King to the commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury; f. 175.

47. Documents respecting the castle of Colchester; f. 176—177 b.

(1.) Grant of it, inter alia, to Robert Earl of Oxford for term of life, 8 Ric. II.

(2.) Inspeximus and confirmation of a grant of the office of constable to Robert Teye by Richard II.; and of an indenture respecting a certain mill, 1 Hen. IV.; f. 176 b.

(3.) Grant to Sir John Haward of the custody of the castle, 1 Edw. IV.; f. 177 b.

48. A few notes from the rolls respecting the city of London; f. 178.

49. Extract from the accounts of Thurstan Allen, bailiff of the High Peak, 9 Hen. VII.; f. 179.

50. Reference to the homage of George Earl of Shrewsbury, 1 Hen. VII.; f. 180.

51. Question on respite of homage in respect of Magdalene Coll. Cambridge; f. 180 b.

52. Very brief references to various close rolls for matters relating to commerce; f. 181.

53. Copy of a writ from the patent roll, 15 Edw. II. m. 23. p. 1., addressed to Henry de Cant: that whereas the King has commanded him to collect all records relating to the duchy of Aquitaine, as well those in the treasury as in the wardrobe, to make calendars to them, to place them in proper repositories, and to cause some of them to be transcribed; he now enjoins him to do the same in respect of those pertaining to Ireland, to Wales, and to Scotland; f. 181 b.

54. Reference to the patent roll, 4 Edw. III. m. 11., that the cryer of the King's Bench was then removed for extortion; f. 181 (2.)

55. "Precedents concerning the lands of Babington's heir;" f. 181 b. (2.)

56. Reference to various close rolls for matters relating chiefly to imprisonment; f. 185 b.

57. Reference to the same, with several documents transcribed at length, for matter relating to the mint and gold and silver bullion; f. 186 b.

58. Numerous references to the patent and other rolls for matter relating to commissions of array, military and naval commissions, and other military affairs; f. 198.

59. Names of justiciars and justices, 6 Edw. I., from the close roll of that year; f. 210.

60. Notice of a case of default in the collection of the customs, Trin. term 1 Edw. IV.; f. 211.

61. References to the rolls for cases of naturalization; f. 211 b.

62. References respecting rumours and the spreaders of them; f. 212 b.

63. References on various subjects; f. 213.

64. "Perambulatio, 29 Edw. I." Names of forests and the haies in them; f. 216.

65. Extracts from the rolls, or references to them, respecting the court of marshalsey; f. 216 b.

66. Facts and arguments in the case of the barony of Abergavenny; f. 220.

67. Notes respecting the case, Sir Arthur Capel against Sir Edward Coke; f. 224.

68. "Thomas Saunder's case." On the interpretation of his will; the opinion of several eminent lawyers; f. 226.

69. A few memoranda relating to the Cinque Ports; f. 228.

70. On assarts in the forests; f. 229 b.

71. "Reasons against habeas corpus, prohibitions, and actions of false imprisonment, brought against the prince's jurisdiction of the Stannery, and a manifestation of the limits of the jurisdiction;" f. 231.

72. "Compositio inter collegium de Merton Oxon. et vicarium de Maldon in com. Surr.;" f. 237.

73. Case of Vause's will, before the master of the rolls; f. 238.

74. Two other cases, Fishe and Seaman, 4 Charles, and Cooke and Tolsey; f. 239.

75. A treatise on the terms; f. 241.

76. "That the court of chancery cannot be intended within the statute 27 Edw. I. cap. 1.;" f. 272.

77. "The case between George Talbot Earl of Shrewsbury and Sir Richard Lumlie Viscount Lumley of Water-

ford, upon a reference to the Earl of Arundel, earl marshal of England, and other commissioners;" f. 295. See XIII. 48.

78. " The case of the searcher of London;" f. 301.

79. Notice of an information de quo warranto respecting the manor of Stokenham; f. 302.

80. Orders for passing composition goods in the custom house, &c., 1634; f. 302 b.

81. " Orders to be observed by the merchant strangers;" f. 303.

82. Pedigree, extracts from the rolls, and argument in the case of the barony of Grey of Ruthyn; f. 304 b.

LXXIX. (LXXXIV.)

A volume of SELDEN's, in his own hand, consisting for the most part of notes from the REGISTERS of the ARCHBISHOPS OF CANTERBURY; viz. PECKHAM, f. 5; WINCHELSEY, f. 10; ISLIP, f. 15; LANGHAM, f. 22; REYNOLDS, f. 32; WITLESEY, f. 56; SUDBURY, f. 65; COURTNAY, f. 70; ARUNDELL, f. 76; CHICHELEY, f. 81; STAFFORD, f. 85; KEMP, f. 88 b.; BOURCHIER, f. 90; MORTON, f. 91; CRANMER, f. 107 b. A leaf of the notes from Arundell's register is now f. 86; and at f. 1 and f. 106 may be found notes from all the various registers. Interspersed in this volume are —

1. " Ex registro bullarum in custodiâ camerariorum in thesauro Westmonasterii;" f. 25.

2. Extracts from the liber Landavensis; f. 63.

3. " Rotulus cartarum in archivis ecclesiæ Paulinæ;" f. 93.

4. " Ex registro prioratûs S. Joh. Jerusalem, penes Tho. Penruddock Mil., fact. 1442, temp. Roberti Botiller prioris;" f. 95.

5. " Nomina magistrorum quondam Templi in Angliâ;" f. 99 b.

6. " Nomina magnorum magistrorum quondam Templi Salomonis ;" f. 99 b.

7. " Nomina magistrorum hospitalis Jerusalem ;" f. 100.

8. " Nomina priorum hospitalis Sancti Johannis Jerusalem in Angliâ ;" f. 101.

9. Extract from a chronicle in the library of the Earl of Arundel, concerning the royal touch; f. 103.

10. " Ex registro Haymonis Roffens' ecclesiæ ;" f. 104.

LXXX. (LXXXV.)

" MODUS TENENDI PARLIAMENTUM apud Anglos ; composed by HENRY ELSINGE, Esquire, clarke of the parliament. Divided into eight chapters."

This fills about one half the volume; the remaining contents are transcripts from the rolls of parliament.

LXXXI. (LXXXVI.)

Another volume of SELDEN'S, and in the handwriting of that distinguished antiquary. The book is divided into two nearly equal portions.

In the *first* we have a large collection of notices from the placita in parliamento and the petitiones in parliamento, beginning with 18 Edw. I. These are sometimes extracts, but often no more than abstracts or references. He appears to have been intent on discovering matter of historical value, and especially what was connected with his own peculiar subjects of inquiry. They extend to the 27 Hen. VI.*

* Notes such as these, like those made for Sir Matthew Hale, are of less value since the publication of the rolls themselves ; but these notes of Selden cannot but be regarded as valuable when it is considered that they were made more than two centuries ago, by so competent and careful a person, and from the rolls themselves, as may be inferred from the habits of so

The *second* portion of the volume is his common-place book of record matter as an antiquarian lawyer. At first the entries are not very regularly disposed under special heads, but relate to councils, parliament, France, Scotland, entered promiscuously. It afterwards assumes a form of greater regularity, and much most valuable in-

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exact an antiquary, and from what he says when speaking of the parliament, 4 Edw. III., Monday after the feast of St. Catherine, —that " the treasons and felonies of Roger Mortimer are particularly reported; a great part whereof cannot be read, for that the roll is mouldered."

In illustration of the value of these notes, as well as to introduce some new facts respecting that very important document the barons letter to the pope, in the 29th of Edward I., it may be observed that Sir Matthew Hale's transcripts of the parliament roll for the parliament at Lincoln in that year contains only one chapter, the statute de escaetoribus. Mr. Tonson's copy, which was used for the printed work, contains, in addition to that statute, the proceeding relating to the death of Adam de Silkston; and these two articles are all which the printed roll contains respecting the proceedings of the Lincoln parliament. Now Selden notices both these, and in addition to them the barons letter to the pope, dated at Lincoln on February 12, in the 29th of Edward I., so that it scarcely admits of a doubt that this letter was entered on the parliament roll of that year, and was then to be read when Selden perused that roll. Duplicates of the letter now remain in the Chapter House, (for though the letters were prepared in duplicate, as was the usual practice, and the seals of the barons affixed to them, they seem, for some reason not now known, never to have been sent,) and copies, believed to be very accurate, of both of them are printed in *Appendixes to the Reports of the Lords Committees on the Dignity of the Peerage.* Selden's copy varies in some particulars more or less important from both these, a circumstance which distinctly proves that he was not transcribing from either of them, but from some other original, which, appearing, as his transcript does, amidst his other notes from the rolls of parliament, must have been on those rolls; where indeed such a document as this it might be expected would be found.

formation may be found under most of the following heads:—

Scotland.
Ireland.
Victuals for war.
Advowson of churches.
Money.
Admiralty and navy for war.
Protectio regalis.
Protector.
Usuria et Judei.
Navy and ships for traffic.
Peers and noblemen.
Subsidia.—Contributiones.—Taxationes.
Fœdera et Ligæ.
The Queen.
Scaccarii thesaurarius.
Defence of the realm.
Marriage of ladies.
Dower of ladies.
Consilium regis.
Rex et prerogativa.
Restitutions to blood.
Medici regis.
Pacis fractio: assaults and riots.
Recorda curiæ.
Utlagati.
Fools, their lands and goods.
Tallagium.
Quinque Portus.
Milites.
Debitores regis.
Escaetores.
Ambassadors.
Homicidæ.
Resumptions.
Accusations of offences.
Bellum, et expeditiones belli in transmarinas partes.
Arma et apparatus belli.
Felonia et latrones.
Marshal of England.
Hospitium regis et valecti sui.
Capellani regis.
Scandale magnatum.
Alchymy.
Coronatores.
Clericus coronæ.
Oratio pro rege.—Gratiarum actio pro victoriâ.
Lex communis Angliæ.
Contemptus.
Musters and soldiers.
Cancellaria.
Parliamentum.
Tenentes in capite.
Wards.
Descent of inheritance.
Surrender and seisin.
Officiarii belli.
Castra.—Turris.
Forgeria.
Extortion and bribery.
Duellum.

The volume contains also a few extracts from the register of Dunstable; and a long passage from Alex-

ander de Hales is bound up in the midst of the common-place book.

LXXXII. (LXXXVII.)

A chartulary of the abbey of Battel in Sussex, on vellum, and in its original wood covers. It is a small folio, consisting at present of ninety-eight leaves, but when paged by some person in the seventeenth century the number of leaves was 102. The leaves now wanting are those numbered 18, 39, 40, and 63. A table of the contents is prefixed.

1. Charters of English kings, from William, the founder, to Henry III.
2. Privileges granted by various popes, from Pope Alexander III. to Gregory IX.
3. Charters of archbishops.
4. Charters of the bishops of Chichester.
5. " De placitis in episcopatu Cicestrensi."
6. " Episcopatus Northwicensis."
7. Charters relating to churches belonging to the house.
8. Charters relating to the estates of the house.

This chartulary contains also what does not properly fall under any of the above heads,—various matter from the quo warranto roll; the placita, &c., respecting the rights of the abbey; and a copy of the bull of Pope Boniface VIII., addressed to King Edward I., concerning the persons sent to negociate a peace between England and France.*

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* This bull has been printed in the *Fœdera*, vol. ii. p. 817. The contemporary copy in this chartulary agrees in the main with the printed copy; the most remarkable variations being, that in the 8th clause for " Angliæ " we have " Francorum,' which is manifestly the true reading; the date in the copy in the chartulary is xi. kal. Maii, not Martii.

The greater part of the contents of this chartulary were written in the reign of Henry III.

LXXXIII. (LXXXVIII.)

A vellum manuscript in small folio, of the reign of King Edward III., in its original wood covers, containing various distinct treatises.

1. Eight leaves, which appear to be portions of one of the books used by the persons who in the middle ages practised on the public credulity by pretending to predict future events. The questions to which resolutions were to be given were such as these: Whether it would be good to marry? Whether a sick man should recover? Whether a captive should escape? Whether a lost thing may be found? &c.*

2. A CHRONICLE OF ENGLAND, written in French, in double columns, and on sixty-eight leaves. It is divided into chapters, of which the first is thus entitled: "Coment Bruit p[i]mes feust engend', et coment il occist sa mere et puis son piere, et coment il vient p[i]mes en Engle[ɔ]re et la conquist des geauntz." *En la noble cite or g[a]nt Troye y ont*, &c. The same hand continues to chapter C.XXX.III.: "Coment Estephē filz del soer le Roi Henri fust fait roy Dengle[ɔ]re," when five leaves in a more recent hand occur, to supply as it seems the loss of five leaves of the original. After these it proceeds in the original hand to the end, which is chapter C.IIII[XX]IIII., in which are related transactions of the king and the Spencers, with the beheading of the Bishop of Exeter in the street of Cheap in London. This was in 1326.

3. A treatise "DE ARTE PHISONOMANDI," written on eight leaves in double columns:—*Natura occulte operatur in hiis. Hoc verbum intitulatur ab autore sex principiorum*,

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* Books of this class are not to be confounded with the writings of the astrologers, and are a rare species of manuscripts.

&c. The concluding words,—*multa promittentem et pauca largientem.*

4. " Epistola Aristotelis Alexandro Magno de observatione humani corporis directa, quam Johannes Hispanensis inventam T. Hispanensi reginæ transmisit," on three leaves in double columns.

5. " Secretum Ypocratis." *Quatuor sunt venti,* &c. One page only.

6. The " Image de Monde," a long poem in French, filling seventy-two leaves, written in double columns, with the following rubrick:

" Ci comence le liver qui est appele
Image de Monde coment il fut fait."

After several sections, the subjects treated in which are the formation of the world and the original state of human society, occur chapters having the following titles:—

" Ci comence des vii. philosophes."
" Ci comence de Platon."
" Ci comence de Apolonies."
" Ci comence de Rois Elisaundre."
" Ci par ordre des choses que Virgile fist."
" Ci parle de Seint Poul."
" Coment Seint Poul t°ua le philosophe."
" Ci comence de Seint Brandan:"

on whom the writer is diffuse. Then follow the system of the universe according to Ptolemy, and the geographical divisions of the earth; after which are sections entitled thus:—

" De la diversete de ewe de Ynde."
" De diverse gens qe sunt en Ynde."
" De diverse bestes que sunt en Ynde."
" De diverse pieres qui sunt en Ynde."
" De diverse arbres que sunt en Ynde."
" De diverse pessons de Ynde."
" De Europe et de ses regions."
" De Aufrique et de ses regions."
" De diverses isles qui sunt par le monde."
" Des choses dont sen merveille."

" Des nouns de aucunes bestes qui sunt par le monde."

" Des nouns de aucuns oiseaus."

" Des merveilles comunes."

" Ici comence de Enfern quel part il et quel lieu coe est."

The author then treats of the water and air and their phenomena, with the planets, moon, eclipses. On a blank space of the book, as originally written, is a short piece of chronology " secundum tabulam in ecclesiâ Sancti Pauli London in anno Domini m°.ccc^mo xlvi°."

LXXXIV. (XC.)

A paper manuscript in small folio, of the age of James I., greatly injured by damp. It contains the following ALCHEMICAL TREATISES.

1. " Norton's ordinal of alchamie;" f. 1.

2. " Pater sapientiæ." *He that in this book beginneth to read*, &c.; f. 32.

3. " The work of John Dansten." *Not yet full sleeping nor yet full waking*, &c.; f. 35.

4. " A brief view of philosophy, compiled in certain positions, and, as it were, aphorisms, for the private help of memory," 1595; f. 39. Imperfect.

5. " Cantilena Georgii Ripley de lapide philosophorum seu de phœnice." *Lo, in this song with harmony*, &c.; f. 46.

6. " Thomas Robinsonus de lapide philosophorum;" f. 50 b.

7. " Practica Philippi a Rovilaico de lapide philosophico;" f. 50. (2.)

8. " Bloomefield's blossoms, or the camp of philosophy." *Dear dame, of you I do require*, &c.; f. 52.

9. " John Isaac, of antimony, translated out of the Flemish;" f. 62.

10. " Thesaurus philosophorum;" f. 65.

11. " Kent, his collections;" f. 72.

12. " A discourse of antimony;" f. 107.

13. " Certain philosophical rules touching the philosopher's stone;" f. 117.

14. " Collectanea ex Johanne Sauino monacho;" f. 133.

15. " The camphire work;" f. 135.

LXXXV. (XCI.)

A manuscript of the fourteenth century, beautifully written on vellum, in two columns, and with illuminated letters, being the history of the Old and New Testament by PETRUS MANDUCATOR, by whom it is inscribed to William Archbishop of Sens. The history is continued a little beyond the close of the Acts of the Apostles, to introduce an account of the deaths of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, and of the places of the interment of the apostles and of some other early christians of note.

The book formerly belonged to the abbey of Lanthony, near Gloucester.

LXXXVI. (XCII.)

A vellum manuscript in the half folio form; imperfect, and described in the printed catalogue " An old register and common pleas."

It consists of two distinct portions.

1. Points of law collected out of the placita or year books of the reign of Edward II., year by year, by a hand nearly contemporary.

2. A treatise on various operations in law,—as " Proces en plee de terre, Chaleng' des esson'," &c. of which there is a table in the middle of the book.

LXXXVII. (XCIII.)

A large quarto, beautifully written on vellum, containing the works of ISIDORE.

It commences with " Epistola Ysidori ad Braulionem episcopum."

This book was formerly in the library of "John Thynne."

LXXXVIII. (XCIV.)

A folio manuscript on paper, written near the close of the fifteenth century, with the following title: "Opus transmarinæ peregrinationis ad venerandum et gloriosum sepulchrum Dominicum in Jerusolem, ejus tum laudes tum fructus paucis attollens."

The journey was that of BERNARD DE BREYDENBACH, who set out from Oppenheim in 1483. His travels were printed at Mentz in 1486, and again in 1490, and a French translation at Lyons in 1489.

LXXXIX. (XCV.)

A vellum manuscript, in very small folio, of the fourteenth century, containing a great variety of LAW WRITINGS put together without much order, though some of them appear to contain matter of value. The following are the principal of them.

1. The ceremonies at the coronation and consecration of kings and queens of England. *Die quo novus rex est consecrandus erunt presentes in pallatio quatuor magnates*, &c. This, on account of its early date and ample details, is a peculiarly valuable part of the volume.

2. A short treatise on tenancies in chief. *Dominus rex habet custodiam omnium terrarum eorum qui de ipso tenent*, &c. There are two copies of this treatise.

3. A registrum brevium.

4. A treatise beginning—*Si home counte v's plusurs pcens'*, &c.

5. The treatise commonly called *Fet assaver.*

6. A treatise beginning—*Notandū q'd quinque sunt esson'*, &c.

7. The statutes De conjunctis feoffamentis, de monetâ, and de vasto.

8. The novæ ordinationes.

9. Assisa panis et cervisiæ.

As for the rest, the manuscript contains various writs and selections from the placita, some as late as the reign of Richard II., together with notices of transactions in a parliament held at Westminster in the quinzaine of Pasque in 5 Edw. III., of which there is no notice in the printed rolls.

Two leaves of an early treatise on the clerical character and duties have been used in the binding.

XC. (XCVI.)

A small folio on paper, in a hand of the reign of James I., containing the SUMMONSES TO PARLIAMENT from 1 Ric. II. to 2 Edw. IV., and also those of 22 Edw. IV.

Several things would be found in this volume which are not in Dugdale's printed summonses, as writs to sheriffs and other officers, and the names of the bishops and abbots who were summoned. The number of the membrane of the roll may sometimes be found in this manuscript when wanting in Dugdale.

Among the blank leaves near the end of the volume is a slight sketch of the descendants of Richard Earl of Arundel.

XCI. (XCVII.)

A thin folio containing a kind of abstract of the contents of the RECORD rooms at the TOWER.

1. "Statutes made during the reigns of King Henry III., King Edward I., and King Edward II., whereof there be records in the Tower."

2. "Statutes reported to be made during the reigns of King [Henry] III., King Edward I., and King Edward II., whereof there be no records to be found in the Tower nor elsewhere."

3. A note of brevia parliamenti preserved at the Tower, by Mosse, apparently a clerk, in 1623.

4. A note by the same person of others "found since 13 Martii 1623."

5. "A table of the several kinds of rolls at the Tower arranged according to the years of each king's reign, from the 1st of King John to the 22d of Edward IV." This is the table which is printed at the end of the work entitled *The repertory of records.* 4to, 1651.

6. Tables of parliamentary records, as statutes, petitions, summonses, with notices of the chartæ antiquæ.

XCII. (XCIX.)

A folio bound in parchment, with a flap, being the original "REGISTRUM M^ri^ Willielmi GONSON Armigeri, vice-admiralli et commissarii admiralitatis in com' Norff' et Suff', de compt' apud Lennam, anno 1536."

The contents of this register are as follow:

1. Receipt given to John Hayles for seven marks received from him for a mast which was found at Hasebrowghe.

2. Verdict of an inquest held at Linn Episcopi, 30 Sep. 1536, summoned to inquire into the state of the harbour of Linn and the smaller harbours on the neighbouring coast, the practices of the fishermen, the rights claimed by divers persons, and certain alleged infringements on the rights of the crown.

3. A second and a third verdict on the same subject, delivered on the same day, but by different juries.

4. "Here beginneth the statute of hearyng [herrings], made at Westminster the xxxi yere of Kynge Edwarde the Thyrde."

5. "Here begynneth the ordynance made of hearyng, in the xxxv. yere of Kynge Edwarde the Thyrde."

6. "Here begynnethe the ordynaunce of fysshe, made the same xxxi^th^ yere of Kynge Edwarde the Thyrde."

7. Two writs in 30 Hen. VIII., addressed probably to Gonson, announcing that he is put in commission with

the Earl of Southampton, the high admiral of England, and other the judges and officers under him of the admiralty, for the trial of certain pirates lately apprehended on the coast of Norfolk, and also for the better ascertaining the rights of the admiralty jurisdiction in the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk.

XCIII. (C.)

A miscellaneous volume of HISTORICAL and ANTIQUARIAN COLLECTIONS, made in the reign of Elizabeth, in the manner of Leland's Collectanea.

1. Collections respecting the Baynards and Fitz Walters, owners of Castle Baynard in London.

2. Pedigree of the Lovels, deduced from Herfastus, brother of Gunnora wife of Richard Duke of Normandy.

3. Slight pedigree of other descendants of Herfastus.

4. Early generations of the family of Bacon, from the collections of Talbot of Salesbury.

5. Two charters of Isabel Countess of Gloucester and Essex, which appear to have been in the hands of Dr. John Dee.*

6. A charter of Henry de Bohun Earl of Hereford to the king, relinquishing all claims which he would have in right of his wife to the things named in a charter of King Henry II. made to Roger Earl of Hereford. Imperfect.

7. Six charters, "ex Joannis Fitz Rowland recuperatis anno 1574." County of Essex.

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* One of them is to Saer de Quincy Earl of Winchester, granting to him Ermingeton and Orewell, to hold as his predecessors had been accustomed to hold them of her ancestors; the other, a confirmation of the said grant, dated at London, May 8, 1216, "et anno primo post mortem Comitis Galfridi de Maundevill viri mei;" which lands had been held by Saer his grandfather and Robert his father. The witnesses are Richard de Clare Earl of Hertford, Will. de Mandevile Earl of Essex, Robert de Veer Earl of Oxford, Robert Fitz Walter, and others.

8. Slight pedigree of Fitz Walter and their connections.

9. Pedigree of the Earls of Leicester.

10. Brief notes of a few early Saviles.

11. " Ex registro S. Martini Magni London."

12. Pedigree of the Earls of Bologne.

13. Notes concerning Loking in Berks.

14. Notes from the will of Edward Duke of Buckingham, dated May 25, 1513.

15. Catalogue of Saxon kings from Eldred to Harold, with a few historical notices.

16. Notices of several persons, chiefly of the diocese of York, from a chartulary of some religious house which is not named.

17. A few notes "out of the register of Markyat."

18. Extracts from a chronicle of the house of Saint Trinity of London, written by Thomas de Axebrigge in 1412.

19. Other notes out of the register of Markyate Abbey.

20. Notes of the Saxon kings from Asser.

21. Notes from the chronicle of Battel Abbey.

22. Notice of a patent writ, of 33 Edw. I., respecting the marriage of the heir of Richard Fitz Alan Earl of Arundel.

23. Further notices of the Saxon kings. The name of the manuscript from whence they are taken has been cut off in the binding.

24. Descendants of Charles King of France and Isabel, daughter of Stephen Duke of Baviere, his wife.

25. Epitaph on Thomas Kemp Bishop of London.

26. Notes from " Historia Dudonis decani Sancti Quintini de ducibus Normanniæ."

27. " Nomina episcoporum Cicestren'," from Wilfrid to John Christopherson. There are a few notes also of benefactors to the church.

28. " Out of the leger boke of the charters and grants of Malmesbury Abbey."

29. Many brief notes from the chronicle of John of

London, between the years 618 and 1189. It is added that the chronicle ends in 1322.

30. Notes respecting the death of Queen Edith from the chronicle of Marianus.

31. Extracts from the Chronicon Neubrigiense.

32. Very brief notices from several chronicles; viz. Manipulus chronicorum, by Ralf Marham of Cambridge, which ends in 1339; Curia historia [q. historica?] of John of York; Walsingham's, John Pike's, Gul. Gemiticensis, Capgrave's.

33. Catalogue of the bishops of London, from Robert the Norman to Edwin Sands.

34. Catalogue of the bishops of Lichfield, from Peter, who died in 1086, to Thomas Bentham.

35. Notices from some chartulary or chronicle not named, including an account of a dispute between the monks and citizens of Canterbury in 1327.

36. Further extracts from Capgrave, a chronicle called Liber Regius, and from William of Jumieges.

37. A few notices of the bishops of Lichfield and Coventry.

38. Slight pedigree of Nevil.

39. Slight pedigree of some early kings of France, from William of Jumieges.

40. Slight pedigree of the descendants of Henry son of David King of Scotland.

41. Further notes from a chronicle of which the author is not named.

42. Slight pedigree of the earls of Anjou.

43. Further notes from the same chronicle.

44. "Ex registro abbathiæ de Tutbury." A register of Tutbury, probably the same as that now in the library of the College of Arms.

45. "Ex chartis fundationis abbathiæ de Egnesham."

46. Notes from the chronicle of Sigebertus Gemblacensis, 1169—1203. This chronicle is in print.

47. Slight pedigree of the kings of Scotland, from Robert III. to James IV.

48. " Ex chronico novi monasterii Wintoniæ quod modo Hida nuncupatur."

49. " De bello inter Guidonem de Warwic et Colbrandum."

50. Notices of the Danish invasion in the time of Athelstan.

51. " Ex chronicâ Normannorum ducum, Gallice scriptâ."

52. " Notes out of the book of Battel Abbey in Sussex."

53. " De Thomâ Cantuar' archiepiscopo et martyre." *Apposito ad patres suos in senectute bonâ Theobaldo Cant' archiepiscopo*, &c.

54. Transcript of a fragment of a chronicle of Normandy, beginning with the thirty-eighth chapter of the sixth book: *Regressus igitur illustris Rex Willielmus*, &c. It is continued to the thirty-second chapter of the seventh book.

XCIV. (CI.)

A folio on paper, being a treatise on GEOMETRY and TRIGONOMETRY in the Dutch language. A few notes on chronology in English are entered on the fly-leaves at the beginning.

XCV. (CII.)

Another volume of the same kind.

XCVI. (CIII.)

A thin folio, unbound, containing a treatise to which the following title is prefixed: " A practical DEFENCE OF HONOUR, or the baron's bill to barons, by way of a particular information to the Exchequier chamber, preferred in Michelmas tearme an° Domini 1630, with the annexed twofould abstract; the one for the right statinge of the cause, and the other for the understandinge of

here-recited grounds of common and statut lawe, discoveringe the inestimable benefitt which is obtayned by the tenure of lands in chiefe, and by knight service and by barony, in the behaulfe of an honourable familie now by that meanes to be preserved from imminent ruyn; with the proper and perfect expositions of the several statuts of 13 Edw. I. cap. 1, 27 Hen. VIII. cap. 10, 32 Hen. VIII. cap. 31, 4 Hen. VII. cap. 24, 15 Edw. II., 18 Edw. I., 34 Hen. VIII. cap. 20, 17 Edw. II. cap. 6, 11 Hen. VII. cap. 18, 1 Edw. III. cap. 12, 9 Hen. III. cap. 2, 17 Edw. II. cap. 3, 14 Edw. III. cap. 13; and with ninety severall positions of common and statut lawe, declaringe and mainetayninge the dignitie of nobilitie and the perpetuitie of their inheritances, and of the entailed inheritances of all ancient gentrie, against the publique opposition of most scandalous and dangerous errors and pestilent imposture with which the saide honourable familie, and all other inheritances wantinge the like shelter and protection of lawe, may be indangered."

The family here intended is that of Scrope, and the author of the tract is John Cusacke, gentleman, who laid an information in the Exchequer for his Majesty's demand of relief and primer seisin from "Katherine Evers Lady Scrope, widow, as heir apparent to Emanuel Lord Scrope, late Earl of Sunderland and Baron of Bolton and Masham, deceased." The Earl of Sunderland was then lately dead without legitimate issue.

XCVII. (CIV.)

A thin folio, containing "The title of the Lady Anne Clifford, sole daughter and heir generall of the late right honourable George Earl of

CUMBERLAND, Lord Clifford, Westmorland, and Vescy, to the style and title of the said three baronies."

This differs from " the case of the barony of Clifford " inserted in Collins' *Claim to Baronies*, being much more full in precedents and collections of Clifford evidences.

XCVIII. (CV.)

A quarto manuscript on paper, written in Italy, entitled, " ERASMUS HORICIUS de MOTIBUS PLANETARUM in longitudine, ac de PLANETARUM PASSIONIBUS."

XCIX. (CVI.)

A small quarto, entitled " TRACTATUS CHYMICUS." Apparently the author's autograph.

C. (CVII.)

A large paper manuscript in quarto, containing two MATHEMATICAL TREATISES, which are inscribed by their author, MARCUS BENEVENTANUS, monachus Celestinæ congregationis, to an English doctor in theology, of whose name we have no more than Gulielmus, at whose suggestion they were written. The subjects treated of are proportion and proportionality; the doctrine of triangles; trigonometrical admeasurement; the sphere.

It is an Italian manuscript, but bound in England; and the binding shows what destruction of books and manuscripts must have taken place to supply the material to which the pasteboard of the present day has succeeded, of which the backs of books were made when wood ceased to be used. The lamina have here been explored by bibliographical curiosity, but it does not appear that in this instance there was any thing to reward it.

CI. (CVIII.)

A thin folio, without covers, containing short notes and references respecting the payment of First Fruits and other business of the First Fruits Office, from 1 Elizab. to 22 Car.

CII. (CIX.)

A folio, written in the reign of Charles I., containing various matters relating to Wales.

1. Certain depositions given by Welshmen who were under examination touching the antient laws and customs of their country. The earlier portions of this document are lost.

2. "Adhuc de aprisâ et certificatione captis apud Lampadernawr."

3. "Rotulus Walliæ de anno regni Regis Edwardi filii Regis Henrici sexto; Wall' de annis sexto, septimo, octavo, et nono; et etiam Wall' de aprisâ; lex Wall'."

4. "Hic incipit rotulus de placitis Wall' tempore Regis H. Tercii; extractus de placitis diversorum justiciariorum tam de placitis domini regis quam aliis."

CIII. (CX.)

A folio manuscript in paper, being "Præcepta Joannis Regiomontani, clarissimi mathematici, de directionibus et progressionibus, variis exemplis illustrata, atque εἰς τὴν πρᾶξιν sive supputandi formulam reducta;" with various calculations adapted to the meridian of Oxford. A manuscript of the 16th century.

CIV. (CXIV.)

A quarto manuscript, bound in dark coloured leather, with a flap, containing various pieces of History of the Church of Durham, written in the 15th century. It is partly vellum and partly

paper. The vellum leaves are in number 157, though the paging shows only 156, there being two leaves both numbered 75. The paper leaves are 63, including many which are blank. They are at the beginning and the end of the volume.

1. The principal treatise is entitled "Libellus de exordio et statu ecclesiæ cath. quondam Lindisfarn', post Conchestren', demum Dunelm', ac de gestis pontificum ejusdem." *Gloriosi quondam regis Northamhumbrorum et preciosi martyris Oswaldi, &c.* But though it begins with this verbal coincidence with the copy of Simeon published by Twisden, and proceeds for several lines in precisely the same words, yet it afterwards becomes different, and through the whole there is sometimes an exact agreement, sometimes matter which is wanting in the printed Simeon, and sometimes the matter of Simeon's narrative delivered in other words. The writer quotes Wil. of Malmesbury, John of York, Henry of Huntingdon, and Hoveden. The narrative is brought down to the middle of the reign of Richard I. It appears to correspond nearly with the Cottonian manuscript, Claud. D. iv.

2. Various charters pertaining to the church of Durham.

3. A poem, consisting of about 900 lines, of which the beginning is,—

> Beda satis notus doctor describere motus
> Cuthberti vitam per plurima mira politam
> Metro perscripsit, in prosam postea lixit, &c.

and ends—

> Terras Cuthberti qui non spoliare verentur
> Esse queunt certi quod morte malâ morientur.

4. A history of Saint Cuthbert:—*In nomine Dei Summi de Sancto Cuthberto*, &c. There is in this the same kind of conformity and yet diversity which we noticed in the first treatise with the Historia de Sancto Cuthberto, printed by Twisden, col. 67, &c., and it contains several things which are not in Twisden.

5. "Nobilia de vitâ ac miraculis Sancti Oswaldi Regis." *Oswaldus noster floret*, &c.

6. " Libellus de ortu Sancti Cuthberti."
7. Extracts rom Durham charters.

On the fly-leaves at the beginning are two catalogues of the bishops of Lindisfarn and Durham, from Aidan to Wolsey, with a few memoranda concerning some of the early bishops, in a hand of the reign of Henry VIII.

Sir Matthew Hale has shown how he became possessed of this valuable manuscript:—" 4 Ap. 1657, bought of Mr. Washington for 30*s*." A former possessor was " Jo. Barnes."

CV. (CXV.)

A folio manuscript, containing,

1. A transcript of DOMESDAY BOOK for GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
2. A transcript of a kind of abstract of Domesday Book for Gloucestershire.
3. A transcript of a similar abstract or abridgment of Domesday Book for Herefordshire.
4. Extracts from the accounts of the customs, in various years of the reign of Edward IV., 1 Edw. V., and 1 Ric. III.

CVI. (CXVI.)

A manuscript of the 15th century, containing ASSISÆ, 20—31 Edw. III., and also on vellum of a smaller size, ASSISÆ 1 and 2 Edw. III.

At the end are a few law collections on paper under the heads,

Acceptance.
Agreement.
Apportionment.
Arrerages.
Avowrie.
Authory.
Bastardie.
Cessavit.
Charge.
Clame.
Conditions.

CVII. (CXVII.)

A volume of extracts from the rolls at the Tower, chiefly relating to Ecclesiastical Affairs.

1. Close, 14—17 John; 11—34 Edw. I.; 10 and 15 Ric. II.
2. Patent, 15, 16, and 18 John, 11—35 Edw. I.
3. Chartæ, 16 Joh., 20 and 33 Edw. I.
4. Brevia Regis, 12 Edw. I.
5. Scotiæ, 20, 24, 25, and 26 Edw I.
6. Alemanniæ, 22—31 Edw. I.
7. Fines, 30 Edw. I.
8. Romæ, 34 Edw. I.

These form more than half the volume. Afterwards there are,

9. "Recorda et memoranda de hiis quæ fiebant in parliamento summonito apud Westm. die Lunæ proximo post festum S. Katerinæ anno regni Regis Edwardi Tertii a conquestu quarto, liberata in cancellariâ per Henricum de Edenestowe, clericum parliamenti."
10. Account of proceedings in the parliament of 5, 6, 13, 14, and 45 Edw. III., with extracts from the close rolls of the summonses to these parliaments.

CVIII. (CXVIII.)

Similar extracts from the rolls at the Tower during the whole reign of Edward II.

CIX. (CXIX.)

Similar extracts, 1—26 Edw. III., but especially from the Rotuli Romæ.

* In this volume are also extracts from the rolls of parliament, 25 Edw. III.—18 Hen. VI., and two writs from the patent roll and two from the close roll of 2 Ric. II.

CX. (CXX.)

"This book conteyneth records touching the king's prerogative in Mynes and Exchange and

Coinage of Money; Edw. I., II., III., IV.; Charles I."

It consists of extracts from the close, patent, fine, and liberate rolls, beginning with the reign of Henry III. and ending in 11 Edw. IV., with two extracts from the parliament rolls of 1 and 5 Hen. VI.

At the end are copies of

1. A grant from the king to Henry Earl of Holland of "the office of all our changes and exchanges, as well whersoever our coinage or mints now are or hereafter shall or may be kept or established, or elsewhere within our realms of England, Ireland, or Wales." Dated 12th Oct. 3 Car.

2. An indenture of the same date between the king and the earl relating to the same office.

CXIII. (CXXIII.)

A copy of the Scriptures, beautifully written on vellum, in the fifteenth century, in the Latin version, with a brief index.

CXIV. (CXXIV.)

A quarto, written in the reign of King Charles I., containing a transcript of the dialogue "de necessariis Scaccarii observantiis," attributed to Gervase of Tilbury. "Ad amussim convenit cum antiquo exemplari. Sic scripsit Gulielmus Lambardus," from whose copy this transcript seems to have been made. A few notes concerning Gervase by Lambard are prefixed.

CXV. (CXXIV. 2.)

Another modern transcript of The Dialogue in folio. To this copy is annexed "Articuli de Scaccario;" the heads of which are,

"De ingressu habendo ad averia pascenda quæ imparcantur."

" Quod nullus distringatur per averia carucæ."

" De essoniis non jacentibus."

Then the dieta of the sheriffs, and extract from the memoranda of the exchequer, 12 Edw. II. Trin. term, relating to the receipt of certain fines in the county of Oxford.

After this are copious extracts from the Red Book of the exchequer.

A writ for summoning a parliament, 7 Hen. IV., imperfectly transcribed, and extracts from the placita of that parliament relating to the attainder of the Earl of Northumberland and other lords. This is more at length in the printed rolls, vol. iii. p. 604—607.

Extracts from the close rolls of 16 and 17 Edw. III.

CXVI. (CXXXV.)

A very fair manuscript of BRACTON, of the time of Edward I., in large folio on vellum. *In rege qui recte regit necessaria sunt duo*, &c. . . . . *sive inde preceptum habuerunt sive non.*

The manuscript belonged, in the reign of Edward I., to Sir Alan de Thorneton, of whose transactions there are some curious memoranda on the fly-leaves, and especially in relation to swans. He appears to have resided in Lincolnshire, and was probably a relation of Gilbert de Thornton, who was the king's attorney in 8 Edw. I., and chief justice of the king's bench in the 18th. (Dugd. *Chron. Series*, p. 27 and 30.) The motto, in a recent hand on the first page, περι παντος την 'Ελευθεριαν, seems to mark it as having once belonged to Selden.

See another copy of Bracton amongst the gifts of various benefactors, No. XI.

CXVII. (CXLI.)

A manuscript of the early part of the reign of Edward III., containing numerous REPORTS of the two preceding reigns, but especially of the

reign of Edward II., many of which are not to be found in Mr. Serjeant Maynard's publication of reports of that reign.

A more particular view of the contents may be given thus:—

1. Seven leaves of placita without date, but which appear to belong to the reign of Edward I.

2. "Hic incipiunt articuli itineris Cant'."

3. "Explicuerunt veteres articuli: incipiunt novi articuli."

4. Reports "Mich. XIIII°," which must mean 14 Edw. II., as Aymer de Valence Earl of Pembroke is in one case the plaintiff.

After this follow numerous reports, but without dates of time or place, except that at f. 48. we have the heading "Iter Lond'," till at f. 56. there begins a regular series, commencing with Mich. term 1 Edw. II. and continued to the 6th of that reign. Afterwards there are reports 17—19 Edw. II., much fuller than those in the earlier part of the volume, and also in many cases much fuller than when we have the same report in Maynard's publication.

CXVIII. (CLVIII.)

A miscellaneous volume of HISTORICAL and LAW TRACTS and COLLECTIONS.

1. Slight memoranda respecting subsidies on wool, &c. granted to the kings of England.

2. "Copia causæ inter dominam Swinerton quer. et Johannem Wolstenholm Mil. et alios tangen' subsid. vinorum, anno quarto Regis Caroli."

3. "Record' inter regem et Oldisworth pro intrusione in Sutton Marsh."

4. Notes, which appear to be in Selden's handwriting, on the Antiquæ Debitæ and the Usitatæ Consuetudines of England.

5. Decree in the exchequer, Easter term, 7 Charles, concerning houses built at Wapping.

6. Decree in the exchequer, Trin. term, 11 Charles, concerning houses built at Crockerne Pill in the port of Bristol.

7. From the patent roll, 6 Joh. m. 11. No. 32. The king to Reginald de Cornhill and others, concerning merchants and their trading.

8. From the patent roll, 38 Hen. III., p. 4. m. 2., concerning the burgesses of Bourdeaux.

9. Several other transcripts from the patent, close, and fine rolls, from the reign of Henry III. to that of Edward III., relating to affairs of commerce.

10. "Ex rotulo partitionis terrarum, &c. Gilberti de Clare comitis Glouc. et Hereford inter sorores et heredes ipsius comitis, 11 Edw. II."

11. Extract from the close rolls of 18 and 19 Edw. II. relating to the partition of the estate of Aymer de Valence Earl of Pembroke.

12. Notes from placita, 6 Ric. I.—3 Hen. V., of matter illustrative of the topographical history of the county of Gloucester.

13. A large calendar of privy seals issued by the crown from the time of Henry VII. to the 3rd year of King Charles I. There is another copy of this calendar among Maynard's MSS. No. LVI.

14. Proceedings in the case of Donald Lord Reay and David Ramsay, 1631.

CXIX. CXX. (XXXIII. XXVIII. CXCII. CXCIII.)

Two folio volumes, consecutive, being a kind of Historical and Legal Index or Common-place Book of Record Matter, the heads being in alphabetical order, the first volume ending with the letter H.

Many of the articles contain much valuable antiquarian matter brought together from the patent, close, and other rolls at the Tower, the placita, the rolls of parliament, and occasionally from other originals.

CXXI. (CXCI.)

This manuscript is particularly noticed by the venerable judge in his will: "The Black Book of the New Law, collected by me and digested into alphabetical titles, written with my own hand, which is the original copy." In the printed catalogue it is described as "Judge Hales's law common-place book, folio, written with his own hand," and it is added, "In archivis ad dextram intra scrinium obseratum reponitur κειμηλιον pretiosissimum."

The manuscript is a large folio bound in parchment, with a loose cover of black leather. It is very fully written. The several articles are in alphabetical order, beginning with "Abuttals," and ending with "Withernam."

II. The Manuscripts of Mr. Serjeant Maynard.

I.

A very small quarto on vellum, of the fifteenth century, containing a Registrum Brevium.

II.

Reports in the Exchequer, 7 and 8 James.

III.

A paper manuscript in quarto, or small folio, containing various Readings.

1. "Lecturæ Fitz Herberti super statutum de Marlebridge, cap. ii."
2. On the statute of Westminster the first, (3 Edw. I.)
3. On the statute de mercatoribus, (13 Edw. I. cap. 3.)
4. On the statute of Gloucester, cap. 1—14. (6 Edw. I.)
5. On the first three chapters of the statute of York, (12 Edw. II.)
6. On the statute 1 Ric. III. cap. 1.

IV.

A small quarto, with notes of CASES in the time of Charles I. and Charles II.

V. VI.

LAW COMMON-PLACE BOOKS.

VII.

A thick quarto, entitled "Mr. Hide's Abridgements." A table of the several heads is annexed.

VIII.

A digest of CASES in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

IX.

REPORTS in the King's Bench, 7—9 Charles I., and also of Hilary term, 6 Charles, and two cases in Hilary term, 4 Charles.

X.

"REPORTS by Mr. Cheeke, late of Linc. Inn, counsellor, recorder of Winchester, concerning the regular and irregular Proceeding of SHERIFFS in their countie Courts, and of CORONERS, in the execution and return of all manner writs and proces to them directed."

XI.

Collections carefully written out of records, &c. illustrative of FOREST LAW.

XII.

This volume consists of two nearly equal portions.

1. " PLACITA FORESTÆ Henrici comitis Lancastr' de PIKERING tenta apud Pickering coram Ric. de Wylughby, Rob. de Hungerford, Johanne de Hambury, justic' de itinerand' hac vice ad placita de forestâ predictâ in com. Ebor. assignat' die Lunæ prox. post festum Sancti Michaelis anno regni Regis Edwardi Tercii ab conquestu octavo." This is in substance the same document with what is found in Hale XLI. (XLIV.)

2. Transcripts of more than 100 charters, which are headed thus: " Require CARTAS sive munimenta infrascripta inventa in CASTRO DE PONT' in comitatu Ebor' in uno cofino signato hoc signo, *tan. fan.*" Many or all of these charters it is probable would be found in the office of the duchy of Lancaster *, where, according to the Report of 1800, are " Charters and grants of various kings under the great seal, as well as of private persons, (remaining in boxes) to the king's sons and to ecclesiastical persons, of lands within the surveys of the duchy, 1 King Stephen, 1135, to 10 Queen Elizabeth, 1558."—*Report*, p. 79. But, as most of these charters are very important, and some of them very little known, a concise calendar of them may be acceptable.

(1.) Rob. de Lasci to Savarius fil. Hugonis; a bovate at Kipeis.

(2.) Adam de Ranevilla to John de Lascy constable of Chester; land at Upton and Stretton.

(3.) Agreement between Stephen de Su Kirkby and Edmund de Lasci, concerning lands at Secroft and Scellebrok, 1250.

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* Sandford quotes one of them, No. (48.) *Genealogical History*, p. 85, " ex instrum. in camerâ ducatûs Lancastr'." No. (50.) is quoted by Dugdale, not from the charter itself, but " ex magno registro in offic. duc. Lanc." *Baronage*, vol. ii. p. 780.

(4.) Edmund son of Robert le Botiller and Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln; Skelbroke, 1304.

(5.) Savarius de Kipeis fil. Hugonis to Roger de Laci constable of Chester; bovate in Kipeis.

(6.) Henry de Nottingham persona de Rowell; quitclaim of rights in Rothwell Hay.

(7.) Roger de Cestriâ to John Larchier; land at Horton near Bradford.

(8.) Henry Lascy Earl of Lincoln to Rob. de Dyhton; four bovates in Thorneuor.

(9.) Tho. de Bradhirst and John de Ouseflete to Henry de Lasci Earl of Lincoln; quitclaim of privileges, 27 Edw.

(10.) Henry de Lascy Earl of Lincoln and constable of Chester, respecting the foundation of the chapel of St. Mary at Saxton by Sir Roger de Saxton, 1292.

(11.) Henry de Lascy Earl of Lincoln to Rob. de Veylly; land.

(12.) Peter de Cestriâ to Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln and constable of Chester; lands in Stavely, Netherthorpe, and Thornoure.

(13.) John de Bulmer of Skelton to Tho. Earl of Lancaster; all claim in the bailiwick of the forest of Pickering, 12 Edw. II.

(14.) Mary, who was the wife of Wil. de Everingham, to Tho. Earl of Lancaster; all right in the advowson of the chapel of John the Baptist in Warneford.

(15.) Tho. Earl of Lancaster to his beloved clerk Sir Wil. Davy; land in Newbold, 14 Edw. II.

(16.) Henry de Lacy Earl of Lincoln to Alan de Smytheton; land at Haghe, in the parish of South Kyrkeby, 30 Edw. I.

(17.) Indenture, 15 Edw. III., between Henry de Lancaster Earl of Derby and Stephen the prior of Pontefract; turbary and pasture in the park of Pontefract.

(18.) Tho. Earl of Lancaster to Ralph de Grene, 14 Edw. II.

(19.) Henry Duke of Lancaster, Earl of Derby, Lincoln, and Leicester, and seneschal of England, to John de Hawksworth; the moiety of a ferry called Bramwith for life, 31 Edw. III.

(20.) Indenture, 21 Henry III., between Henry Earl of Lancaster and William de Bracebrigge; exchange of lands in Lancashire for the manor of Berley.

(21.) Respects the election of a prior of St. Oswald of Nostell.

(22.) Respects disputed rights between the houses of Pontefract and Bretton.

(23.) Henry Lascy Earl of Lincoln; inspeximus of a charter of Alicia de Laci, his mother, granting lands to John son of Thomas de Hipperholm.

(24.) Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln to William de Hyneham; tenement in Bramwith and Braithwaite, 32 Edw. I.

(25.) Several papal bulls and other documents respecting the priory of Pontefract.

(26.) Agreement between John de Laci Earl of Lincoln and Sir Tho. de Pouclington; lands at Fippin.

(27.) Henry de Winchester to Lady Aleys de Lacy; mill of Saxton.

(28.) Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln to Edmund Talebot; land at Bramwith, 27 Edw. I.

(29.) Roald le Botiller to Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln; land at Stapleton.

(30.) Will. de Scargill to Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln; land at Stapleton.

(31.) Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln and constable of Chester to the monks of Rufford; land at Elmeton.

(32.) Geffery de Rat. to Sir Henry de Laci, Earl of Lincoln; third part of a knight's fee in Gitton.

(33.) Adam son of Thomas de Ranavil to Edmund de Lacy; a knight's fee in Askerne, &c.

(34.) Wil. de Boamond to Henry de Lacy Earl of Lincoln; rent from his mill at Hoderesfeud.

(35.) Edwardus Rex Angliæ, 46th year of his reign; relates to settlement on the late Queen Philippa.

(36.) John de Warren Earl of Surrey and Sussex to Tho. Earl of Lancaster; quitclaim of all right in all castles, &c. in the county of York, 12 Edw. II.

(37.) Thomas le Despenser Earl of Gloucester quitclaims to John Duke of Guyenne and Lancaster, Henry de Lancaster Duke of Hereford and Earl of Derby, and Henry, son of the said Henry, all right in all castles, &c., with slight reservations, 21 Ric. II.*

(38.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; grant to John de Gandavo, his son, of the earldom of Richmond, 3d Nov., 16th year of his reign.

(39.) Edwardus Rex; bestowing on John of Gaunt the dignity of Earl of Richmond.

(40.) Edwardus Rex; grant of infangtheof, &c. within his earldom.

(41.) John Montfort Duke of Bretagne and Earl of Montfort; earldom of Richmond, 1360.

(42.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; earldom of Richmond.

(43.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; dower in lands granted to John of Gaunt.

(44.) Indenture between Edward III. and John King of Castile and Leon his son; earldom of Richmond, 46 Edw. III.

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* The existence of this grant, which cannot but be regarded as an extraordinary circumstance of the life of that unfortunate earl, appears to have been unknown to Dugdale and all other writers on the baronage of England. See *Baronage*, vol. i. p. 396.

(45.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; relates to lands in exchange for the earldom of Richmond, 33 Edw. III.

(46.) Edwardus Rex, &c. to Henry Earl of Lancaster; grant to him of the castle, &c. de Bragoriaco, made before Calais, 1st June 21 Edw. III., on report brought of his good service in the wars of Aquitaine.

(47.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; grant of the same castle to John King of Castile and Leon his son, 37 Edw. III.

(48.) "Edward aisne fils de Roi de France et Dengleterre, Prince de Aquitaine et de Gales, Duc de Cornwaille, Counte de Cestrie, Seigneur de Biscai et de Castre Dordiales," to John his brother; the castle of Roch sur Yon, 1370.

(49.) The same to the same; the castle of Bregerak, 1370.

(50.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; confirmation to Thomas Earl of Lancaster and Henry his brother of something which had descended to them from their grandmother Queen Eleanor, 12 Edward II.

(51.) Edwardus Rex, &c. (III.); an inspeximus of the last.

(52.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; grant to Henry Duke of Lancaster of a house and hospitium at Calais, 23 Oct. (primâ manu, xx.) 24 Edw. III.

(53.)—(59.) are grants to divers burgesses of Calais from John King of Castile and Leon, 1373.

(60.) Instrument of King Henry IV., dated 14 October, 1st of his reign, relating to his possessions before he became king.

(61.) Instrument of King Henry IV., dated 20 Nov. in the second of his reign, relating to certain lands affected by the erroneous judgment on Thomas Earl of Lancaster in the time of Edward II.

(62.) John King of England; grant to Wil. de Ferrars Earl of Derby of certain lands, 1st of his reign.

(63.) Inspeximus of a grant of King John to Robert Earl of Leicester, 1st of his reign.

(64.) Inspeximus of the same grant, with confirmation and extension.

(65.)—(68.) Henricus Rex, &c. to Edmund Earl of Leicester his son; grants and inspeximuses.

(69.) Edwardus Rex, &c. to the same Edmund, 13 Edw. I.

(70.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; restoration of lands surrendered by Henry Earl of Lancaster, 23 Edw. III.

(71.) (72.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; respect lands belonging to Henry Duke of Lancaster, late deceased, 35 & 36 Edw. III.

(73.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; respects a grant to Henry Earl of Lancaster in the 16th of his reign, 38 Edw. III.

(74.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; grant to John King of Castile and Leon his son, 51 Edw. III.

(75.) Edwardus Rex, &c.; grant of Laughton in Morthing, &c. to John King of Castile and Leon, the places not having been sufficiently specified in the previous grant of the castle, manors, and honour of Tickhill, 51 Edw. III.

(76.) Henricus Rex, &c. (IV.); respects lands which Patrick de Chaworth held.

(77.) Henricus Rex, &c. to Wil. de Ferrars Earl of Derby; free warren at Liverpool and other places in Lancashire, market at Bolton in that county, and at Uttokshath in Staffordshire, 36 Hen. III.

(78.) Johannes Rex, &c. to Wil. Briwere; that Brugewalter shall be a free burgh, &c., 2 John.

(79.) Henricus Rex, &c. to Hen. de Trubleville; free warren in Esegareston, 22 Hen. III.

(80.) Henricus Rex, &c. to Patrick de Chaworth; free warren in various places, 27 Hen. III.

(81.) Edwardus Rex, &c. to Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln and Margaret his wife; free warren in certain manors in Lincolnshire, a market and fair at Sutton in Hoyland, &c., 10 Edw. I.

(82.) Inspeximus of a charter of King Henry II. in the 22d of his reign, " Ne quis fuget in warennâ Will. de Roumare de Bolingbrok vel aliquam bestiam capiat sine licentiâ ejusdem Willielmi."

(83.) Edwardus Rex, &c. to Henry Earl of Lincoln; market and fair at Wainflete, 33 Edw. I.

(84.) Edwardus Rex, &c. to John Duke of Lancaster and Blanch his wife; free warren at Chepingham Bourn, co. Berks, 41 Edw. III.

(85.) Edwardus Rex, &c. to Henry Duke of Lancaster; free chase in the wood of Perneholl, 28 Edw. III.

(86.) (87.) Edwardus Rex; grant of fairs at Pickering and Esingwold and free warren at Melbourn, 19 Edw. I.

(88.) Edwardus Rex to Henry Earl of Lancaster; market and fair at Melbourn, 2 Edw. III.

(89.) Edwardus Rex to Thomas Earl of Lancaster; market and fair at Yoxhall and fair at Higham Ferrers, 28 Edw. I.

(90.) Ricardus Rex; inspeximus of grants to the house of Lancaster, 1 Ric. II.

(91.) Inspeximus by the same king of a grant of King Edward to John Duke of Aquitaine and Lancaster, concerning lands in Norfolk, 18 Ric. II.

(92.) Edwardus Rex to Payne de Chaworth; market and fair at Aldrington, 6 Edw. I.

(93.) Johannes Rex to Gerard de Kanvill; market at Sutton in Hoyland, 3 John.

(94.) Edwardus Rex to Edmund his brother; fair at Pickering and Esingwold and free warren at Melbourn, 19 Edw. I.

(95.) Edwardus Rex to Thomas Earl of Lancaster; market and fair at Wirksworth and free warren at Staunford, 34 Edw. I.

(96.) Henricus Rex to Edmund his son; free chase and free warren in lands pertaining to his castle of Kenilworth, 51 Hen. III.

(97.) Henricus Rex to "our cousin Will. Laungespere;" market and fair at Pole, 23 Hen. III.

(98.) Henricus Rex to the same; free warren in his lands in the counties of Nottingham and Lincoln, market and fair at Sutton in Hoyland, market at Lutton, fair at Swaneton, 27 Hen. III.

(99.) Edwardus Rex to Henry de Laci Earl of Lincoln; free warren, markets, and fairs at places in Cheshire, 10 Edw. I.

(100.) Edwardus Rex (III.); inspeximus of the grants made by his great grandfather King Henry to his son of the castles, &c. which had belonged to Rob. de Ferrers Earl of Derby and Simon de Montfort Earl of Leicester, dated at Kenilworth 12th July, 50th of his reign.

(101.) Edwardus Rex; quitclaim of all process against Henry de Lancaster for the death of Piers Gaveston, 6 Oct. 7 Edw. II.*

(102.) Another inspeximus of the grant to Edmund son of King Henry III. of the lands, &c. of the Earl of Derby and Leicester.

(103.) Ricardus Rex; respects money due to John King of Castile and Leon for military service, 5 Ric. II.

(104.) Edwardus Rex to certain persons, that they deliver over certain manors, &c. to William Earl of Henhaud and of Leicester and Maud his wife, daughter and one of the heirs of Henry late Duke of Lancaster, 35 Edw. III.

(105.) Edwardus Rex to John Duke of Lancaster and Blanch his wife, 40 Edw. III.

(106.) Ricardus Rex; inspeximus of a charter of his grandfather Edward to John King of Castile and Leon respecting the earldom of Richmond and lands in exchange; and of another respecting Laughton.

(107.) Inspeximus by the same king of a charter of Edward I. to Henri de Laci Earl of Lincoln, in the

* In the *Fœdera*, vol. ii. p. 230.

22d of his reign, respecting the manor of Kyrton in Dorset, and of Snayth.

(108.) Inspeximus by the same king of various charters of his grandfather King Edward to John King of Castile and Leon; as of the castle, lands, and lordship of Liddell, as well in England as in Scotland, which Blanch who was the wife of Tho. Wake held, 31 Edw. III.; of the castle of Hertford, &c., 50 Edw. III.; of the castle of Bregerak, 50 Edw. III.; of reward for military service, 51 Edw. III.

(109.) Inspeximus by Henry III. of a charter of King John his father to Rob. Earl of Leicester, in the 1st of his reign.

(110.) Ricardus Rex; remitting all claims, actions, &c. to his uncle John Duke of Aquitaine and Lancaster and Henry Duke of Hereford his son, dated at Westminster 20th February, in the 21st year of his reign.

All these charters appear to be copied with a remarkable degree of exactness, but there is no description of the seals appended to them. The seal of Edward the Black Prince, engraved by Sandford (*Genealogical History*, p. 125.) is from No. (48.)

XIII.

An Abbreviatio Placitorum for the reign of King Edward I. At f. 153 begins a second series, entitled "Omissa in primâ abbreviatione." It differs from the work of this kind published by the Commission on Records in 1811.

XIV.

Reports by Sir Richard Hutton, Justice of the Common Pleas, of cases heard by himself and copied from his own hand. This manuscript contains many cases which are not in the printed reports of this judge.

XV.

A volume containing several tracts relating to the BARONAGE.

1. " A treatise concerning the nobilitie, according to the laws of England." This is the treatise attributed to Judge Doddridge, as whose work it was printed in 1658. There are some variations from the printed copy, and this manuscript wants all the chapters after that entitled " Of noble women."

2. A discourse written by Mr. Serjeant Doddridge on the question " whether the barony of Bergavenny with the title and dignity be descended unto the lady, being the daughter and heir of the Honourable Henry Nevill the late Baron of Abergavenny, or unto the special heir male unto whom the castle of Abergavenny, being antiently the head of the barony, is descended."

3. A catalogue of the kings of England from Egbert, with a rhyme to each.

4. " Whether baronies by writ or prescription accrewing to an earldom by the heir general shall go out againe by an heir general during the continuance of the earldom in a collateral masculine line." An argument, with precedents in favour of the heirs male, by Sir John Borough, Garter.

XVI.

" A book of annexation of CROWN POSSESSIONS, in tercio of the king." It consists of a transcript of an indenture dated 27th March, 3 James I., between the King on the first part, and Thomas Lord Ellesmere, Lord Chancellor, and other great officers of state, of the other, relating to the crown lands, of which a schedule is annexed, as they lay in different counties.

XVII.

A modern transcript of " La somme appelle MIRROIR DES JUSTICES, vel Speculum Justicia-

riorum, factum per Andream Horne."* There is another modern copy among the gifts of various benefactors, No. III.

XVIII.

Reports from Mich. term 20 James to Hil. term 22 James.

XIX.

" Hic continetur — 1. Case de future uses. 2. Wiseman's case. 3. Conceits Augustini Nichols sur stat. 32 Hen. VIII. de devises. 4. Lectur' Cooke sur fines. 5. Williams sur stat. de partitiones."

XX.

" A collection of the Rules of the Common Laws of England, by Francis Bacon," with an address to the Queen, dated 5th Jan. 1596.

In the same volume are various notes taken out of the year books by an unknown writer.

XXI.

A thick quarto containing divers Reports.

1. In banco regis, from Mich. term 2 James to Mich. term 4 James.

2. " Cases experimental in the exchequer," Mich. term 6 James to Mich. term 10 James.

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* " The most extraordinary of our antient law books is *The Mirror of Justices*, hitherto most inaccurately published. Only one antient manuscript of this work is known to exist (in the library of C. C. C. Cambridge, No. 258.)" *An Account of the most important Public Records*, &c. by C. P. Cooper, Esq., 1832, vol. ii. p. 402.

3. In communi banco, Mich. term 10 James to Easter term 17 James.

4. " Ceux reports ensuant fuer pris par Mr. John Glanville," in banco regis, Mich. term 8 James to Trin. term 9 James.

5. In the exchequer, Mich. term 3 Charles to Trin. term 4 Charles.

6. " Notes taken in the common pleas by Mr. Goulds-borough, one of the prothonotaries of the same court, concerning amendment of writs and arresting of judg-ments in all manner of actions."

XXII.

Reports in Banco Regis, Mich. term 10 James to Hill. term 20 James.

XXIII.

A Law Common-place Book, chiefly from cases in the reign of Charles II. There are in-dexes at the beginning and end.

XXIV.

An alphabetical Law Common-place Book.

XXV.

A volume similar to the two preceding, but only half filled.

XXVI.

" Index florum diversorum librorum extrac-torum de recordis tam coram rege quam de banco remanen' in Thesauraria Receptæ Scaccarii domini regis temporibus regum Johannis," &c.; extending to the reign of Henry V.

XXVII.

" Tabula Annorum Edwardi Secundi Regis, &c. secundum vetus manuscript' inde ; nec non relation de annis H. 7^{i} secund' Keilway." References to the year books arranged under heads placed alphabetically.

XXVIII.

Extracts from the Year Books of King Edward I.

XXIX.

Reports, in a contemporary hand, of cases in the King's Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer, from the 25th to the 33d of Elizabeth.

XXX.

A transcript, in a hand of the reign of James I., of the Dialogue on the Exchequer, attributed to Gervase of Tilbury.

XXXI.

" Reports of Sir Charles Chibburne, collected by himself in the maturity of his age and intellect; copied from his autograph."

XXXII.

Contemporary notes of a few Cases in the reign of Elizabeth.

XXXIII.—XXXVII.

Five Law Common-place Books.

XXXVIII.

Transcript, in a hand of the reign of Charles I., of REPORTS in Communi Banco, from Easter term 1 Edw. I. to Mich. term 24 Edw. I.

XXXIX.

Select cases from the PLACITA coram rege from Mich. term 1 Hen. IV. to Trin. term 10 Hen. V. In this volume is a copy of the remarkable fine before noticed between Thomas de Rempston and Richard late King of England, 1 Hen. IV.

XL.

Transcript, of the time of Charles I., of PLACITA, from Mich. term 1 John to Hill. term 15 John, with "Fragmenta record[or]um incerti temporis Regis Johannis."

XLI.

In this volume are the following distinct tracts:

1. "A relation of what hath passed in the duchie of Mantoua and marquisate of Monferrata, from the beginning of the year 1628 unto the end of the year 1629;" f. 1.
2. "A discourse concerning the proceedings of the King of Sweden;" f. 19.
3. "Concerning Italy;" f. 29.
4. "Lawes and orders touchinge the Isle of Jersey and the forme of their government;" f. 36.

XLII.

Substance of a speech, probably by MAYNARD himself, commencing thus:—"My lords, my task is to give your lordships the reasons whereupon the House of Commons have grounded their first vote, touching the complaint made before you of the

trespass in seizing the ship and goods of Skinner, and the assault made on his person."

XLIII.

Fair transcript of a report made by certain persons to King James on the state of the PENAL LAW, with suggestions for its improvement.

XLIV.

A large folio LAW COMMON-PLACE BOOK.

XLV.

A valuable collection of evidences relating to the town and manor of CREDITON in Devonshire, made by Richard Sutton, who finished his labours 1st Jan. 1597.

XLVI.

REPORTS in Communi Banco, Hill. term 2 Charles to Mich. term 5 Charles, with a table of the cases.

XLVII.

A treatise, in eight chapters, entitled OCEANUS BRITANNICUS, written in the reign of James I., on the rights of fishing in the north seas, &c.

XLVIII.

Transcript of some portions of the ROLLS OF PARLIAMENT for the reign of Edward III.

XLIX.

A LAW COMMON-PLACE BOOK.

L.

A large folio fairly written, containing two treatises by Francis Clerke.

1. That which was published in 1666 and again in 1684 under the title of "Praxis in curiis ecclesiasticis."

2. The "Practica curiæ admiralitatis."

LI.

Placita coram rege, Hill. term 23 Edw. III. to Trin. term 51 Edw. III.

LII.

A volume of Political Tracts.

1. "Extracts out of records wherein may be collected by what manner the kings of England have and may raise money, by Sir Rob. Cotton."

2. Another copy of the same.

3. A petition of the House of Commons to the king.

4. "The question whether the king without assent of parliament may set impositions upon the wares and goods of merchants exported and imported out of and into the realm."

LIII.

Two treatises by Selden, viz.:

1. "England's Epinomis, by John Selden Esquire."

2. "Privileges of the baronage of England when they sit in parliament, collected by Mr. Selden out of the records."

LIV.

Assisæ of the reign of Henry VI.

LV.

Reports from 30th to 40th Elizabeth.

LVI.

A calendar of privy seals issued by the crown from 1 Hen. VII. to 3 Car. I. There is another copy of this calendar among Hale's MSS., No. CXVIII. (CLVIII.) 13.

LVII.

Law Readings at Lincoln's Inn.

LVIII.

An epitome, for the most part in English, of the Rolls of Parliament for the reigns of Edward III. and Richard II.

LIX.

A large folio containing numerous Legal and Political Tracts.

1. "The office of the admiralty of England, with the articles concerning the same office."

2. "The discourse of reason why an office of general exchange for moneys shold be erected in this kingdome, and of the formal institution and right use and benefit of the same, with answers to the objections made against it." Addressed to King James I.

3. "Arguments proving the king's majestie's propriety in the sea lands and salt shores thereof, and that no subject can lawfully hold any part thereof but by the king's grant."

4. "A note of the proceedings at the justice seat held for the forest of Deane at Gloucester Castle, the 10th of July 1634, before the Right Hon. Earl of Holland, lord chief justice in eyre, assisted by Mr. Justice Jones, Mr. Baron Trevor, and Sir John Bridgeman, chief justice of Chester, as it was delivered to the king by Sir John Finch."

5. " The resolutions of judges of assize upon certain questions touching parishes, &c. Mich. 1633."

6. Arguments in an action for trespass, Mich. term 14 James, Josiah Horne plaintiff, and John Fortescue and others defendants. It respects the rectory of Winwick in Lancashire.

7. " A remonstrance delivered to his majesty in writing, after inhibition given by him to the lower house of parliament, as well by word of mouth as by letters, not to proceed in the examining his right to impose without assent of parliament."

8. A tabular analysis of the ecclesiastical polity of England.

9. Account of proceedings in the matter of the divorce of the Countess of Essex.

10. " Of the lately erected office called The office of compositions for alienations." To this the name of William Lambarde is subscribed.

11. " The cause of the marches of Wales."

12. " Seaven arguments concerning the power and priviledge of parliament."

13. " Mr. Littleton of the Inner Temple, his argument and others in defence of Mr. Stephens his plea touching knighthood; also the several arguments of the barons of the exchequer, with their resolutions upon the said plea."

14. " Extracts out of the records wherein may be collected by what means the kings of England have and may raise moneys, per Cotton Mil. et Baronett."

15. " The arraignment of Sir Walter Rawley at the castle of Winchester, on Thursday the 17th of November 1605, before the Right Hon. the Earl of Suffolke, lord chamberlaine, the Earl of Devonshire, Sir Henry Howard, Lo. Cecill, Lo. Wotton, Sir John Stanhop, lo. chief justice of England, lo. chief justice of the common pleas, Popham and Anderson, Justice Gawdy, Justice Warberton, Sir William Wade, commissioners."

16. " The arraignment of Mervin Lord Audley, Earl of Castlehaven, at Westminster Hall, the 25th of Aprill 1631, for, &c., as it was tried before the Lo. Coventrie, lo. keeper of the great seal of England and lord high steward for that day, accompanied with the judges and twenty-six of the nobilitie."

17. " An abstract of all the statutes in force against recusants."

18. " Of islands arising in the sea, and of the salt shore compared with the fresh."

19. " A short compendium or brief declaration of what every officer in his majestie's court of exchequer ought to do by virtue of his office in England, as also the articles of the uniting of the late courts of augmentation and revenues of the crown and the late court of first fruits and tenths to the court of exchequer at Westminster. Written at the request of the Right Hon. the Lord Buckhurst, lord treasurer of England, in the reign of our sovereign lady Queen Elizabeth."

20. A treatise on the king's jurisdiction, and especially in respect of causes ecclesiastical.

21. " Considerations of entercourse, dedicated to the king's most excellent majesty, 1630."

22. " A true and perfect relation of the proceedings in parliament since the beginning, 20 January 1628."

LX.

1. " Lectura super cartâ de forestâ editâ an° H. 3. nono."

2. " De curiis vicecom' London'."

3. " Notes collected out of the readings of Mr. Ramsey of Grey's Inne upon the statute of 2 Edw. VI. chap. 8. concerning copieholds."

At the end of the volume are a few precedents or forms for indentures.

LXI.

Collections out of the patent, close, fine, charter, oblate, and Norman rolls relating to the counties of Devon and Cornwall.

LXII.

Reports in Banco Regis, with a few in Communi Banco and the Exchequer, Trin. term 43 Elizab. to Mich. term 10 James.

LXIII.

This volume consists of two parts.

1. Reports in banco regis from Trin. term 24 Eliz. to Mich. term 42 and 43 Eliz. The cases are more numerous in the latter than in the earlier years. A few cases of the later years are at the beginning of the volume.

2. Collections relating to the Stannaries, viz.

(1.) "The resolutions of all the judges by force of his majesty's letter concerning the stannaries in Devon and Cornwall, 26 Nov. 1608, at Serjeant's Inn."

(2.) Extract from the rolls of parliament, 50 Edw. III., touching the stannaries.

(3.) "The manner of holding the parliament at Crockerentone for the stannaries in the county of Devon, 27 Octobris 42 Elizabethæ R."

(4.) "Perambulatio forestæ de Dertmore."

(5.) Historical and law collections on the same subject.

LXIV.

Reports in Communi Banco, Easter term 1 Edw. I. to Mich. term 24 Edw. I.

LXV.

Reports of Sir Henry Hobart. This manuscript may be compared with advantage with the

reports of that judge printed under an imprimatur, dated in 1646.

LXVI.

Reports in Banco Regis and Communi Banco, 26 Eliz.—14 James.

LXVII.

A paper book, containing a portion fairly transcribed of a treatise which commences thus:—"Having said thus much of the civill judicature in parliament, let me in the next place consider criminall," &c.

LXVIII.

"A selected number of such Cases Ecclesiastical as have been argued and discussed tempore Regis Jacobi, with the judicial opinions and authentical resolutions of the reverend judges and learned councell of this realm of England concerning the same."

LXIX.

A treatise entitled Aulice, which appears to be a translation from the Italian.

LXX.

Readings in a hand of the reign of Henry VIII.

1. "Lecturæ Will'i Wadham apud Lyncolnes Inne tempore Quadragesimal. anno r. r. H. VIII. xi°," on Westm. 2. cap. 3, 4, 5.

2. Readings of Thomas Brigge, serjeant at law, on Westm. 2. cap. 3, 4, 5.

3. Readings of Frowyk on Westm. 2.

4. "Lectura de Will. Marshall de Lyncoln Inn temp. Quadragesimæ, anno r. r. H. VIII. septimo, de quo warr."

LXXI.

Copy of the ROLLS of the PARLIAMENTS which met 16 Oct. 7 Hen. V., 2 Dec. 8 Hen. V., 2 May 9 Hen. V., and 1 Dec. 9 Hen. V.

LXXII.

A volume, entitled ELECTION CASES IN PARLIAMENT.

1. " The speach of Mr. John Glanvile, pronounced in a full committee of both houses of parlyament the 25th of Maye 1628, in the painted chamber att Westminster."

2. " The speaker [Sir John Finch]'s first speech, 19 Martii 1627."

3. " The lord keeper's answer, 19 Martii 1627."

4. " The speaker's second speech, 19 Maii," with " the lord keeper's sur-reply, 19 Maii."

5. " A brief and faithful relation touching matters of privilege, ordered and adjudged by the commons in parliament assembled, at the parliament begun and holden at Westminster the 19th day of July in the 21st year of the reign of our sovereign lord King James." Then follow twenty-one election cases, which are those which were published in an octavo volume in 1775, " from the collation of various manuscripts," of which this however does not appear to have been one.

6. " Le case in parlyament anno primo Jac. Regis entre Sir Frauncys Goodwyn et Sir Jo. Fortescue pour le lieu del k^tie^ del shire pour le countye de Buck."

7. " Dr. Turner's speech in parliament, 11 Martii 1625."

8. " Remonstrance of the commons, 5 April 1626."

9. " The lo. keeper's letter to the Earl of Bristol, 31 March 1626."

10. " The Earl of Bristol's answer."

11. A few notes on the king's prerogative.

LXXIII.

1. Select Reports in the reigns of Elizabeth and James.

2. "Un brief collection de touts tiels decrees faits en le court de gards queux decident escun doubt en ley," &c.

LXXIV.

"A collection of the most material matters conteyned in the book of Acts of Councell, recorded and entered by the clarcke of the councell at the councell table, beginning the xiiith daie of August anno 1553, in the first year of the reign of Queen Mary, omittinge onely such unnecessary things as are not worth the observation."

This forms a large volume, though the collection does not go beyond the proceedings at the council held on 12th May 1559. It appears by the return from the privy council office to the select committee of the House of Commons in 1800, that the original books from 1557 to 1562 were then wanting.

In the same volume are —

1. "Divers cases concerning prohibitions and consultations."

2. A fragment of the treatise on the nobility attributed to Judge Doddridge.

3. A few leaves of a law common-place book.

LXXV.

A treatise on the constitution of the Court of Chancery, with a catalogue of the Chancellors of England, and a few rough notes at the end of cases in Chancery in the time of Charles I.

LXXVI.

"Of the precedent antiquity of Earls and Sheriffs to the Conquest; of sheriffs courts,

hundreds, and manors; of court barons and leete; of the nature of each in the time of the Romans; of their and our countie palatines; of earls since the overthrow of the Roman empire in our and other countries; the etymologies of counties, hundreds, and wapentakes; of sheriffs in other countries and ours; of the barrons; of the localities of the justice of England." Begins—*The natural philosopher observes birds*, &c.

LXXVII.

A transcript, said to be from his own manuscript, of Reports by Judge Rodes, who was a justice of the Common Pleas, 1585—1591. They are most full from Mich. term 13 and 14 Eliz. to Trin. term 17 Eliz. But there are cases in the volume of 8, 9, and 10 Eliz., and of 23, 26, 29—33, 36—38 Eliz.; and a few Exchequer cases in 4 and 11 James I.

LXXVIII.

"Summonitiones ad Parliamentum," 49 Hen. III.—22 Edw. IV.

LXXIX.

A large volume, the contents of which are thus described by Mr. Serjeant Maynard himself: "Quæ sequuntur in hoc volumine ad usque paginam octogesimam 7^{m} exscripta fuerunt per me W. Maynard ex quibusdam libris autographis Will. Noy nuper attornatûs regis generalis. Postea sequuntur relationes quædam exscriptæ ex quodam libro Bulstrod Whitelock. 3°. Lecturæ Jacobi Whitelock, Ar."

The extracts from Noy relate for the most part to cases in 2 and 3 James. The cases from Sir Bulstrod White-

lock's book are in communi banco, from Easter term 7 James to Mich. term 13 James. The readings of Sir James Whitelock are on the statute 21 Hen. VIII. cap. 13. De facultatibus beneficiariorum. They were read in the Middle Temple, 2 Aug. 1619.

LXXX.

A paper book, without covers, entitled THE LORD COOKE'S TWELFTH REPORT. On comparing it with the printed volume published in 1656, many and material variations will be found to exist. The manuscript is in French, and in a hand not much later than the time of the author.

LXXXI.

A large miscellany of matter collected from the PLACITA and the ROLLS, but especially the latter. In this miscellaneous volume a few single instruments or fasciculi may be particularly pointed out.

1. Relating to affairs of commerce; f. 1—54.

2. Relating to prohibitions and consultations; f. 55—58.

3. To the appropriation of churches; f. 75—83.

4. Proceedings in quo warranto against Sir John Warren in respect to the manor of Stockport, 15 Hen. VII.; f. 84—86.

5. License to Thomas Draper to found a chantry in the church of Newport in Shropshire, from the patent roll 20 Hen. VI. p. 2. m. 16.

6. Relating to patents and monopolies, 19 James; f. 89.

7. A large and interesting collection of extracts from the close rolls, beginning in the reign of Henry IV., concerning state prisoners, their confinement, release, or execution; f. 101—113, f. 133—144, f. 189—200. There is another fasciculus in a later part of the volume.

8. Extract from the memoranda of the exchequer, containing a report in English on the state of the harbours on the coast of Wales; f. 117.

9. Memorandum from the close roll of the delivery of the great seal by John [Thomas] Bishop of Lincoln, 24th July, 3 Ric. III.; f. 147.

10. "Hæ subscrip. sunt ordinationes cancellariæ domini regis fact. anno duodecimo regni Regis Ricardi Secundi;" f. 211.

There are also in this volume,

11. "Notes concerning making of sope;" f. 149.

12. A treatise on the court of chancery; f. 215.

13. "Ordinances explained by Mr. Crooke, 1554, upon the state of the chancery court, being written and taken out of a great book remaining with Mr. James Walrond, which sometyme was the book of old Mr. Humfrey Walrond, late one of the vi. clarkes of the chancery;" f. 218.

14. Notes concerning the office of filazer; f. 299.

15. Collections relating to episcopal visitations.

LXXXII.

Reports, Mich. term 42 & 43 Eliz. and Easter term 1 James. There are also slight reports of a few cases in other terms, and in another part of the volume a few well reported cases of the reign of Elizabeth.

LXXXIII.

Indorsed "Touching Union." This volume consists of various writings concerning the Union of Scotland with England, which was meditated soon after the accession of King James I. to the throne of England. The whole was written at the period of time to which the contents refer, and as there are some papers which appear to be autographs of persons who were engaged in the design, it may be regarded as an official document, and

even, as to the first portion of it, the original minute book of the commissioners.

A more particular description of the contents follows :

1. A journal of the proceedings of the commissioners, commencing die Saturni, viz. 20 Oct. 1604, and ending 6 Dec. 1604.

2. " Certain examples of united kingdoms."

3. A large treatise, beginning thus, " Unions of states be of different natures; their differencie consisteth either in matter of the union or the form," &c.

4. An address to the king recommending union, and that he should style himself " King of the whole and united Isle of Britain."

5. The statutes which the proposed union would make it necessary to repeal.

6. " The dangers to be considered in the proposition of free commerce."

7. " Remembrances of the conferences of both houses, 17° Decemb. anno 1606."

8. " That those born in England and Scotland since the king's coming to this crown are by law naturalized in either kingdom."

9. Minutes made apparently at the time of speeches in the House of Commons on this proposed measure.

10. " An answer to a speech of Sir Roger Owen's and Mr. Crew's before the Lords at a conference, 25 Feb. 1606."

11. A tabular digest of what passed at the last conference with the Lords.

12. A tabular view of arguments on the subject, dated 30 April 1607.

LXXXIV.

" A brief and rare collection of the several Fees and charges usually defrayed or paid out into divers courts or offices in London and Westminster every

term time by suits at the common lawe of this realme of England, reduced to perfection of the time present; and, first, of a recovery, with the fees and charges," &c.

" This booke was further enlarged by mee Richard Colchester, anno Domini 1621, as followeth," &c.

In the same volume are a small portion of an attempt at exhibiting the law of England in a tabular form, and " the Great Turk's oath to Bethlem Gabor," 1620.

LXXXV.

A treatise entitled " In what cases the King's courts of Common Pleas may graunt PROHIBITIONS by lawe, and many presydents of former tymes, and in what not."

LXXXVI.

REPORTS in a hand of the reign of Elizabeth, 4—6 Hen. VII.; 1 Hen. VIII.; 6, 7, 9, and 11 Hen. VIII.; 4 & 5 Ph. and Mar.; 1, 2, & 5 Eliz.

LXXXVII.

REPORTS from Mich. Term 1 Eliz. to Mich. Term 20 & 21 Eliz. Also reports in C. B. of Mich. Term 42 and 43 Eliz. to Trin. Term 1 James. All very fairly transcribed.

III. THE MANUSCRIPTS OF JOHN COXE, ESQ.

I.—XV.

Of this series of volumes the first thirteen are in quarto, the two last in folio. They contain Mr. Coxe's COMMON-PLACE DIGEST of the common law, in alphabetical order, and are lettered by him " Common Law common-placed."

XVI.—XX.

Five volumes like the last, lettered by Mr. Coxe "Practical Law common-placed."

XXI.

"Adversaria." So entitled by Mr. Coxe. A law common-place book, containing but few entries.

XXII.

A common-place book for general subjects by Mr. Coxe.

XXIII.—XXVII.

Five quarto volumes, containing copies of Opinions given by Mr. Coxe in the course of his practice, from 14 August 1745 to 1 Dec. 1777. An index of the cases is in every volume, and occasionally minutes of the facts of the cases themselves.

XXVIII.—LXII.

A series of note books, in Mr. Coxe's own hand, of Cases in the several courts of law, from Trin. Term 5 George II. to Trin. Term 9 George III. They are lettered A.—L L.

LXIII.—LXXIII.

A series like the last, but by an elder Coxe, who was uncle to the Mr. Coxe by whom these manuscripts were bequeathed. The cases here reported are in Banco Regis, from 1 Anne to Easter term 10 George I. These note books are numbered I.—XI. In the XIth volume there are notes by the younger Coxe, of the year 1733. Volume I. contains an index to the ten which follow.

LXXIV.

A small folio containing an INDEX to the cases in the note books of both the Coxes.

LXXV.—LXXVIII.

Four other note books, containing notes and collections on legal points by Mr. Coxe.

LXXIX.

A half folio, lettered "Coke on Littleton," containing portions of the matter of that work disposed under heads, the work of Mr. Coxe.

LXXX.

A lecture "Of the Civil Law," transcribed by Mr. Coxe.

LXXXI.

Copies of letters of business written by Mr. Coxe between 1767 and 1770.

LXXXII.

A LAW COMMON-PLACE BOOK in the form of a note book, in Mr. Coxe's own hand, alphabetical, from "abatement" to "bye-laws."

LXXXIII.

Another note book of Mr. Coxe's, containing extracts from Locke and other well known authors.

LXXXIV.

A similar note book, with arguments on points of law, by Mr. Coxe.

LXXXV. LXXXVI.

Two volumes of INDEXES of NAMES OF CASES.

LXXXVII. LXXXVIII.

Two CATALOGUES, one by Mr. Coxe of his own library, the other of his library as it stood when it came by his bequest to the society of Lincoln's Inn.

LXXXIX.

A large folio, lettered CASES IN CHANCERY. They are for the most part cases heard in the former half of the eighteenth century. Many of them are in print, of which there is notice in the margin of the manuscript. A table of the cases is at the end of the volume.

XC.

" A treatise of the court of STAR CHAMBER," in a hand of the reign of King Charles I. This treatise is distributed under three heads: the officers of the court; the jurisdiction; the course of proceeding.

XCI.

REPORTS in Banco Regis from 12 Will. to 3 Anne. There are also a table of fees and a few law precedents.

XCII.

A law common-place book, entitled by the writer " Some cases in law, and observations in practique intermixed."

XCIII.

Reports in Banco Regis, from Mich. term 4 Charles I. to Mich. term 17 Charles I.

XCIV.

A note book containing a few rough notes of cases in Banco Regis, beginning Jan. 28, 1691; probably by the elder Coxe.

IV. The Manuscripts of Mr. Serjeant Hill.

I.—XXXV.

A series of volumes, of various forms and sizes, numbered thus; containing a large collection of Reports of cases in the courts of law and the court of Chancery heard in the eighteenth century, for the most part copied under Mr. Hill's direction from the notes made by his friends and contemporaries.

XXXVI.

An Index to the cases in the volumes just described.

XXXVII.—XLVIII.

Twelve note books containing Reports from Mich. term 4 Geo. II. to Hill. term 25 Geo. II. These are notes made by Sir Thomas Burnet, who was a justice of the Common Pleas.

XLIX.—LV.

Seven volumes called Chesshyre's Manuscripts, having formerly belonged to Mr. Serjeant Chesshyre. They consist of—

1. A large folio, closely written, of reports from Hill. term 36 and 37 Charles II. to Mich. term 8 Will. III.

There are indexes of cases and of subjects. It may assist in the use of this volume to observe that the reports of Mich. term 8 Will. III. are at the beginning of the volume.

2. Note book containing cases, Mich. term 35 Charles II. to 3 James II.

3.—5. Note books of cases from Mich. term 12 Will. III. to Hill. term 2 Geo. II.

6. A law common-place book.

7. Trotman's epitome of Coke's Reports, inlaid with very copious notes by Mr. Chesshyre.

LVI.—LXXV.

Twenty volumes, called by Mr. Hill Osborne's Manuscripts, having been purchased by him of Osborne the bookseller. They are a series of note books of proceedings in court from about 1717 to about 1740. There is some irregularity in the chronological arrangement. The numbering of this series is from I. to XXI., but there is no XX.th volume, nor was there while in Mr. Hill's hands.

LXXVI.—LXXVIII.

Three volumes in the form of note books, containing a collection of cases relating to the Settlement of the Poor.

LXXIX.

A similar volume containing collections on the Law of Evidence.

LXXX.

A folio entitled by Mr. Hill "Lord Ch. Justice King's MS." It contains reports in Communi Banco from Mich. term, 1 Geo. to Trin. term, 8 Geo., with indexes of cases and subjects.

LXXXI.

A small folio, which Mr. Hill has entitled Witherington's Reports [in Communi Banco], from Mich. 2 James to Pasch. 21 James. He has added that "Widdrington was ch. baron in 1657;" and he further remarks that "this does not seem to be the book referred to in Salk. 137 by the name of Widdrington." The volume, however, contains no reports between the 3rd and 17th of James.

The volume also contains "Ordinances made by the Right Hon. Thomas Lord Coventry, lord keeper of the great seal of England, with the advice and assistance of the Right Hon. Sir Julius Cæsar, Knight, master of the rolls, in the term of Saint Michael the Archangel, in the 11th year of the reign of our sovereign lord King Charles, for the redress of sundry errors, defaults, and abuses in the high court of chancery."

LXXXII.

"Reports taken in the Upper Bench by Mr. North, beginning the 3rd of May 1658."

LXXXIII.

Entitled by Mr. Hill "Northey's MS., Trin. term 13 Charles II. to Hill. term 23 and 24 Charles II., both inclusive."

LXXXIV.

A pocket book, formerly belonging to Sir Edward Northey, the queen's attorney general, containing notes of cases in 23 and 24 Charles II., with an index.

LXXXV.

" Against impositions in parliament, 8 Jacobi Regis." A contemporary manuscript.

LXXXVI.

" A book concerning the EXCHEQUER, copied from the manuscript thereof, formerly Lord Mansell's, but since in Lord Onslow's possession; to which is annexed a report of Mr. Lowndes to the Earl of Rochester, lord high treasurer, with his lordship's orders thereon."

LXXXVII.

This is lettered MADOX'S MANUSCRIPT, and contains the following pieces:

1. A catalogue of the manuscript collections of Thomas Madox, Esq.
2. An account of several of the officers and clerks in the exchequer.
3. Statutes relating to the chancellor, and courts and officers.
4. Several ancient charters relating to tonnage, poundage, and other customs and subsidies.
5. Queen Mary's letters patent for the dissolution of the court of augmentations.
6. Her letters patent for annexing the same to the court of exchequer.
7. Proceedings by papal delegations.

LXXXVIII.—XCVII.

Ten volumes of MR. SERJEANT LEEDS' MSS. Three are quartos and the rest note books, containing reports chiefly, if not entirely, in Banco Regis, from Easter term 1 Geo. I. to Mich. term 18 Geo. II.

XCVIII.

Entitled "MASTER LEEDS' MSS." Reports in Banco Regis from Mich. term 24 Geo. II. to Hill. term 28 Geo. II. There are also a few cases in 29 & 30 Geo. II. This volume also contains Lord Hardwick's elaborate judgment in Chancery in the case of Bagshaw and Spencer, 1749.

XCIX.—CXVII.

Nineteen volumes of manuscripts of MR. SERJEANT DAVY. Several of these are law commonplace books, notes in grammar of no value, or transcripts from Mr. Serjeant Leeds' manuscripts. Those which may deserve to be more specifically described are,

1.—3. "An institute of the law relative to trials at Nisi Prius, in seven parts." This is now in print. See Buller's *Nisi Prius.*

4. A few cases in 30 & 31 Geo. II.

6. A few cases in Hill. term 1742.

7. Cases of settlement.

8. Cases from Mich. term 26 Geo. II. to Easter term 28 Geo. II.

10. Cases from Easter term 23 Geo. II. to Mich. term 26 Geo. II.

11. Cases from Easter term 23 Geo. II. to Trin. term 24 & 25 Geo. II.

13. Cases in 27 & 28 Geo. II.

19. "Index to the books of the late Mr. Serjeant Davy."

CXVIII.—CXX.

Three volumes, lettered "Manuscript cases Vol. I.," "Vol. II.," and "Vol. IV." Mr. Hill calls them VIVIAN'S MSS. They contain reports

of the reign of George II., with a case in the Exchequer of 2 George III.

CXXI.—CXXV.

Five volumes, formerly belonging to WILLIAM and ROBERT BUSBY of Gray's Inn.

1. Reports in banco regis, 38—43 Eliz.
2. Reports in banco regis, Easter term 3 James to Hill. term 7 James.
3. Reports in part after Dalison, from 38 Hen. VIII. to 6 Eliz., and others from Easter term 30 Eliz. to Easter term 32 Eliz.
4. Reports in banco regis from Mich. term 20 James to Hill. term 22 James.
5. A few reports, 1659 to 1667.

V. MANUSCRIPTS, THE GIFT OF VARIOUS BENEFACTORS.

These may be distributed in two classes:

I. Those which were in the possession of the Society before 1697, and are named in the catalogue of that year.

II. Those which are not in that catalogue.

I.—MANUSCRIPTS IN POSSESSION OF THE SOCIETY BEFORE 1697.

I. (CXXV.)

A treatise, entitled by its author, JOHN BRISCO, "AXIOMATA sive regulæ juris excerptæ e commentariis præhonorabilis viri Domini Edwardi Coke Equitis Aurati, unius ex honoratissimis privati consilii domini regis." A dedication to Lord Coke is prefixed, dated from Lincoln's Inn 11 October 1621. This volume is the gift of the author.

II. (CXXVI.)

" Syntagma Historicum, continens duos ultimos regni annos beatissimæ memoriæ Jacobi nuper Magnæ Britanniæ et Hiberniæ regis, et paulo amplius, non minus verâ quam recenti fide, conscriptum a Joanne Brisco Lincolniensis hospitii, Armigero, et per juridicos Angliæ conventus sive ut vulgo dicunt terminos digestum, juxta morem apud juris Anglicani professores antiquitus observatum pro annotandis inde temporibus." A dedication is prefixed to Robert Carey Earl of Monmouth and Henry Carey Lord Falkland. At the end are various Latin poems by the author, whose gift this volume was.*

III. (CXXVII.)

" Le somme appel' Le Mirror a Justices vel Speculum Justiciariorum, fait per Andrew Horne." A copy written on parchment in a hand of the reign of James I. This appears to have belonged to Mr. Brisco. There is another copy of this work among Maynard's manuscripts, No. XVII.

IV. (CXXVII.)

A folio of 440 pages, containing, in a contemporary hand, an account of the Proceedings of the House of Lords in the Parliament of the 18th of James, from the 30th of January 1620–1 to the 8th of February 1621–2: the gift, it is probable, of Mr. Brisco.

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* It appears by a passage in this work that the author was the son of Alexander Brisco, and descended of an antient family at Crofton Hall in Cumberland.

V. (CXXIX.)

Another copy of the same work, which also appears to have been the gift of Mr. Brisco.

VI. (CXXX.)

" The Mirror of Justice, set forth by Plato in fower severall treatises, called Gorgias, Euthyphron, the Apology, and Crito, faithfully translated out of the original Greek by J. B." This was the John Brisco before named, by whom this book was presented to the library in 1631.

VII. (CXXXI.)

Reports in Communi Banco, in a hand nearly contemporary, from Mich. term 4 Car. I. to Easter term 12 Car. I., with an index of cases.

VIII. (CXXXII.)

" Brevia Summonitionum et rotuli parliamentorum omnium tentorum durante regno Henrici Angliæ et Franciæ Regis illustrissimi post Conquestum Quinti." A folio of 651 pages, written about 1630.

IX. (CXXXIII.)

" Collectiones Rerum Ecclesiasticarum tam Angliæ quam Hiberniæ sub regimine Regis Henrici Tertii, ex rotulis ejusdem regis in archivis Turris London extractæ; continentes negotiationes contentionesque precipuas inter dictum regem, proceres, et laicos, ac Romanam curiam, pontifices, prælatos, clericos, circa jura coronæ regiæ, regni populique libertates et jurisdictiones usurpationesque papales, episcopales, vel clericales eisdem derogatorias et repugnantes. Opere et studio indefesso

Gulielmi Prynne Armigeri, unius lectorum et magistrorum de banco nobilissimi hospitii Lincolniensis, anno Christi incarnati 1662."

A folio of 652 pages. The extracts are for the most part from the patent and close rolls, but the fine, the liberate, and the Gascoign rolls have supplied others. Many of these extracts may be found in the work which is commonly known by the name of Prynne's Records, three volumes folio.

X. (CXXXIV.)

A folio of 198 leaves, containing, in a hand nearly contemporary, "Divers CASES tempore 1° Eliz., 6° Eliz., 7° Eliz., 18°, 19°, et 29° et 30° Eliz., et 31° et 32° Eliz., et 34° et 36° Eliz."

XI. (CXXXVI.)

A copy of BRACTON, in a small folio, written in double columns, and in a hand of the latter part of the fourteenth century. It begins as the copy among Sir Matthew Hale's manuscripts, No. CXVI. (CXXXV.), but it ends with the words, *est enim magna differentia inter regnum et sacerdotium.** A brief index in a modern hand is prefixed.

The name of the donor of this manuscript appears in a writing curiously inserted in one of the covers under a

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* These two early and finely preserved copies of Bracton will be found, perhaps, to present a text as perfect as any manuscript now existing of that ancient law-writer. "The publication in a correct form of the year books and of the ancient text-writers of our law, Glanville, Bracton, Britton, Fleta, the Mirror, &c., was considered as one of the objects of the Record Commission, and it continues to be highly necessary. The present editions are all extremely defective; no attempt was made by early editors to obtain an accurate text, or to illustrate the author; we read these works destitute of all the aids to be afforded

piece of transparent horn. "Bracton faire wrytten in parchment. Ex dono RANULPHI CHOLMELEY, servientis ad legem et recordatoris civitatis London."*

XII. (CLXXVI.)

A copy of the STATUTES from 1 Edw. III. to 3 Hen. V., very fairly written on vellum in the fifteenth century. A table of contents extending to 11 Hen. IV. is prefixed. The gift of Ranulph Cholmeley.

XIII. (CLXXIX.)

A copy of the STATUTES from 1 Hen. IV. to 20 Hen. VI. on vellum, written at the time. This appears by the style of the binding to have belonged to Cholmeley.

A printed paper, of the date 1520, has been used in the binding. It is a portion of a paper circulated by Henry Osborne, prior of the convent of friars predicant at Oxford, offering certain privileges in their house to those who should contribute to the repair of their church.

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either by criticism or by research. Bracton would deserve particular attention. It appears that there are two distinct *Recensions* of this work, in one of which many of the passages borrowed from the civil law do not appear." *An Account of the most important Public Records of Great Britain*, &c. by C. P. Cooper, Esq., 1832. vol. ii. p. 401.

* Ranulph Cholmeley gave, as we shall see, other manuscripts, and was also a benefactor to other parts of the library, having given to it the fine set of the printed year books which this society possesses. He died on the 25th April 1563, according to the inscription on his monument in Saint Dunstan's church, having been a frequent reader in the society, as may be seen in Dugdale's *Origines Juridiciales*, p. 252, 253.

XIV. (CLXXXIII.)

Another copy of the STATUTES, from 1 Edw. III. to 19 Hen. VII., in a very thick quarto vellum manuscript, the gift of Ranulph Cholmeley. An index is prefixed, and a table of contents, which extends only to the 10 Hen. VI. There are no statutes entered in this book between the 8th and 15th Henry VI.

XV. (CLXXXVII.)

REPORTS, in a very thick folio of paper. They are from Hill. term 38 Edw. III. to Mich. term 40 Edw. III.; from Hill. term 43 Edw. III. to Mich. term 46 Edw. III.; and of 8 & 11 Hen. IV., 1 Hen. V., and 7 and 12 Ric. II.

This manuscript contains an early genealogical table of the royal house of England.

It was the gift of Ranulph Cholmeley.

XVI. (CLXXXIX.)

A volume similar to the last, containing REPORTS of 11, 12, and 13 Ric. II.; 2 and 13 Hen. IV.; 21, 38, 40—43, 45 Edw. III. Of these years the terms appear to be complete. A few placita of other years occur, with sometimes what appear to be remarks upon the cases by the author of the manuscript.

At f. 322 is "Prima lectura Willielmi Ayloff*, in Lincolnes Inne."

The gift of Ranulph Cholmeley.

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* He was Lent reader in 13 Eliz.; *Orig. Jurid.* p. 253.

XVII. (CXXXVII. 1.)

A vellum manuscript of the fourteenth century, in a modern binding, containing —

1. PLACITA from Easter term 1 Edw. III. to Mich. term 4 Edw. III. There are here many and important variations from the printed year books of this reign.

2. " ITER de Norhampton, 3 E. 3."

3. " ITER de Notingham de anno regni Regis E. Tertii a conquestu quarto."

4. " PLACITA in itinere Derbiæ coram Will. de Herle et sociis suis anno r. R. E. Tercii quarto."

5. " ITER Bedeford' coram Johanne de Cantebrigg et sociis suis, 4 E. III."

6. PLACITA from Easter term 7 Edw. III. to Mich. term 10 Edw. III.

" Ex dono Milonis Corbet." Sir Matthew Hale speaks in his will of a manuscript of his containing a Bedford iter.

XVIII. (CXXXVII. 2.)

A vellum manuscript of the fourteenth century, in its original wood binding, like the one last described.

1. PLACITA, year by year, through the whole reign of Edward II., ending with Mich. term in the twentieth year of his reign; f. xl.—cc.*

This a different manuscript from that which was used by Maynard, when he prepared his edition of the year books of this reign, 1678.

2. " De ITINER' Norhamton anno tercio E. 3;" f. ccvii. —cclvi.

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* Sir Matthew Hale thus speaks of reports of the reign of Edward II.:—" The best copy of these reports that I know now extant is that in Lincoln's Inn library, which gives a fair specimen of the learning of the pleaders and judges of that time." *History of the Common Law of England*, 6th edit. 1820. p. 198.

3. " PLACITA placitata in itinere de Derb. coram Will. de Herle et sociis suis anno r. R. E. quarto ;" f. cclvi b.—cclxvi.

4. " De termino Paschæ anno regni Regis E. T. post Conquestum primo ;" f. clxvii. This is continued through the successive years and terms of the reign of Edward III. to Mich. term in the ninth year of his reign, and extends to the end of the volume.

Prefixed to what is now described are three leaves of placita, which seem to be of the reign of Edward I. ; and thirty-seven leaves of a kalendare brevium for the placita of the reign of Edward II., referring to the pages in which the writs are named, which appears to have been compiled with great care, and is in the same hand with the rest of the volume.

On a leaf between f. cc. and f. ccvii. are copies of two charters defining certain respective rights of the lords of Plumpton and of Knaresborough.

Respecting former possessors are the two following memoranda : " Liber M. Johannis Clerke unius baronum scaccarii domini Regis Edwardi IIII^ti ; anno ipsius domini Regis octavo, de Greys Inne," and " Ex dono GEORGII ANTON armig."

XIX. (CXXXIX.)

A very large law manuscript, resembling the two last described, written in double columns, and of the fourteenth century.

" In hoc volumine continentur ANNALES Regis Edwardi Secundi ab anno primo ejusdem Regis usque ad annum vicesimum (exclusive) nunquam hactenus aliquâ impressione consignati, 1669." These reports also differ materially from those of this reign in Maynard's publication.

A few leaves of placita in 19 Edw. II. are in a different hand from the rest ; and there are also a few leaves in a later hand, entitled " Historia Regum E. 2. et E. 3, Tho. Walsingham abbreviatum." At the beginning are

twenty-two leaves, with the title "Novæ Narrationes," and, in a modern hand, a catalogue of the justices who lived in the reign of Edward II.

In the following memorandum we have a satisfactory account how this volume came to the library: "This volume of Edward the Second I had upon an exchange with Serjeant Clerke (commonly writt in our pention rolls John Clerke, the thirteenth) in or about decimo septimo Jacobi, 1619. I accounted itt more the gift of a freind than any exchange of like vallew. Now given (as my legacy) to Lincolnes Inn library, as may appeare by a clause of my will entered in the last folio of a large book of iters, 433 *, which (together with this) I also bequeath, as likewise some other manuscripts of law, to that noble society. C. Fairfax."

XX. (CXL.)

A volume in vellum, of the quarto form, of the fourteenth century, containing copies of the STATUTES, commencing with Magna Charta. It contains also the Magna and Parva Hengham, Registrum Vetus, Registrum de cancellariâ secundum usum Ric'i de Bereford, and other writings which are usually found in the collections made of the statutes.

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* No such memorandum is to be found in any book now in the library, and the only manuscript which can be regarded with any high probability as having been included in Fairfax's bequest is the one which is next named, in which is the name of "Charles Fairfax, 1616," as of a former possessor, that being the name of this benefactor, Charles Fairfax of Menston in Yorkshire, Esquire, a younger son of Thomas the first Lord Fairfax, Baron of Cameron. This Charles Fairfax was one of the record and charter antiquaries of the seventeenth century, and left behind him various manuscripts of his own, which show the attention which he paid to these studies.

XXI. (CLI.)

A very small quarto, of unusual thickness, containing, in a hand of the fifteenth century, the STATUTES of the reign of King Edward III. In the illumination of the first letter is a portrait of the King, the head only.

"Ex dono GEORGII ANTONNI armigeri." *

XXII. (CLXVIII.)

A YEAR BOOK of the first ten years of the reign of Edward III., wanting, however, the greater part of the eighth year. It is in folio, and is a nearly contemporary manuscript.

"Ex dono Georgii Anton, arm."

XXIII. (CLXXVIII.)

A small quarto manuscript, of vellum, of the STATUTES, from 1 Edw. III. to 3 Hen. V., soon after which time it was written.

"The gift of George Anton, Esq."

XXIV. (CLXXXIV.)

A small quarto, the gift of the same person, partly on paper and partly on vellum, containing explanations of TERMS IN LAW, forms of WRITS, and a printed book of PRECEDENTS, "Impressa Londin' per Winandum de Worde in vico the Flete Strete commorantem in signo solis."

XXV. (CXXXVIII.)

A contemporary manuscript, entitled "A JOURNAL of the PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS in

* This was probably the recorder of Lincoln of that name at the beginning of the seventeenth century. His father had been clerk in the court of wards. See *Harl. MS.* 1436. f. 7.

the lower house, anno 35 Eliz. anno Domini 1592, very laboriously collected for consultation and preparation against the ambitious and proud designs of the Spanish king; in which also some unusual distaste happened betweene her majesty and their house, by reason of their intermedling with her majesty's successor to the crowne, which she had forbidden. This session began on Monday the 19th of February 1592, and ended April 9, 1593."

XXVI. (CXLVI.)

A large folio on paper, containing PLACITA from the 20th to the 42nd of Edward III.

This contains reports of many cases on the iters, and in the early part corresponds with the Liber assisarum printed by Tottel in 1580. In the later years the cases are placed under particular heads, as advowson of churches, pleas of trespass, &c.

XXVII. (CXLVIII.)

A manuscript on vellum, of the fifteenth century, in small quarto, lettered LINDWOOD. *Ignorantia sacerdotum et,* &c. . . . . *censurâ fore canonice compellendos.* At the beginning is a table of contents, and between that and the work itself are a few notes, in a somewhat later hand, respecting hunting.

XXVIII. (CXLIX.)

A thick paper manuscript in small quarto, containing—

1. A collection of cases from REPORTS, for the most part if not entirely of the reign of Edward II., with a table of the writs.

2. Collections out of the old REPORTS, under heads arranged alphabetically.

XXIX. (CL.)

A manuscript on vellum of the half folio form, containing several early ENGLISH METRICAL ROMANCES, in a hand of the fourteenth century. It is imperfect both at the beginning and the end.

1. The writing on the first leaf is scarcely legible. The second begins thus, in the midst of a poem:—

Al þat þeȳ metten at þat stounde
Mon and hors þeȳ slowe to grounde;
So Englȳsch mon for soþ to say
Weore discomfyzt and fledde away
To Wynchestre þay fledde þo
Syngand, Allas and weȳlawo, &c.

There are twenty-four pages, each containing about sixty lines, and the poem ends thus:—

Twenty zer þaȳ lyued in same
Wiþ muche gleo and game;
He and þat swete þȳng
Jhesu Crȳst oure Saueour
And his modir, þat swete flour,
Spede us at oure nede.
Explicit Lebius de stonus.*

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* This is the first half of "Le Beaus Descours," published by Ritson, *Ancient English Metrical Romances*, vol. ii. p. 1—90. Chaucer speaks of it as a popular romance in his time:—

"Men speken of romaunces of pris,
Of Horn Child and of Ipotis,
Of Bevis and Sire Guy,
Of Sire Libeux and Pleindamour," &c.

There is another copy in the volume of English romances in the Cottonian library, Caligula, A. II., the text of which was followed by Ritson, but who used also this manuscript, which he erroneously calls one of Sir Matthew Hale's manuscripts.

2. The second is the romance of MERLIN, beginning thus:—

He þat made wiþ his hond
Wynd and water, wode and lond,
Zeue heom alle good endyng
Đat wolon listne þis talkyng;
And ý schal telle zow bỳfore
How Merlỳn was geten and bore,
And of his wisdoms al so,
And oþre happes mony mo, &c.

Thus it runs on through about 1700 lines; at the end,—"Explicit Merlỳn."

3. The third and longest of the romances is that of ALYSAUNDER, being 6756 lines, and filling 125 pages of the manuscript:—

Divers in þis mỳddel erde,
To lerid men and to lewed,
Bisỳhed care and sorowe
Is wiþ monỳ vche a morowe, &c.

. . . . .

Now ze haveþ al ý herd,
God þat made þe mỳddel erd,
Zeue ows alle his blessỳng,
And graunte ows alle god endỳng:
Amen, Amen, Amen, &c.
Alisaunder me reowiþ þỳn endỳng
Đat þou nadest dỳzed in cristenỳng.
Explicit Alysaunder.*

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* This romance was transcribed from this manuscript by Mr. Park many years ago with the intention of printing it; but that intention he laid aside on discovering that a large portion of the poem was wanting in this copy, as he found by comparing it with another copy in the Bodleian library at Oxford, (MSS. Laud. I. 74.) The romance was finally printed in 1810, by Mr. Weber, in his collection of the English metrical romances of the middle ages, vol. i. p. 1—327, from Mr. Park's transcript of this manuscript, with the additional lines and a few various readings from the Laud manuscript.

4. The next piece fills thirty-seven pages, and is called at the beginning BELLUM TROJANUM, and at the end "Ðe Bataỳle of Troỳe."

Sỳthen God hade þis world wrougt,
Heouene and eorþe, and al of nougt,
Mony auturis han bỳ falle
Ðat we no knowen heom nougt alle, &c.

With the above four lines the prologue commences; the poem itself thus:—

Listeneþ lordyngis er ze gange
Of þe kỳng of Troỳe þt was ded wiþ wrenge;
He hade asone þat Priamus hỳzte,
Ðat was amon of mukil mỳzte, &c.

5. The last is PIERS PLOWMAN, of which there are only seventeen leaves remaining:—

In a somer seson, when softe was þe sonne,
Yschaped me into schroudes as ỳ ashep whore, &c.

It is to be regretted that nothing is now known of the manner in which this valuable manuscript passed into this library, or of the persons to whom it had previously belonged; manuscripts of this class being of rare occurrence. The name "Anthony Foster" is written in a hand of the reign of James I. as a former possessor. The original covers have been long removed, and it had lost many of its outer leaves before it was placed in the present very mean cover of ordinary leather in which it has been re-bound, probably early in the reign of Elizabeth.

On examining the covers attentively I discovered that there had been used in the binding a large piece of a document relating to the hospital of Saint John of Beverley; and connecting this with the fact that at Beverley there was in the times when this manuscript was written a noted fraternity of minstrels *, a probability is raised

* See in the Lansdowne MSS., vol. DCCCXCVI. art. 50., memoranda respecting the Corpus Christi plays at Beverley; and art. 61., the orders of the ancient company or fraternity of the minstrels in Beverley. The latter are very curious, and have

that the contents of this book were originally transcribed for their use, and that the manuscript may, without much hazard of misleading, be called hereafter the Book of the Minstrels of Beverley.

XXX. (CLII.)

A Law Common-place Book of about the time of King James I.

XXXI. (CLXI.)

A thin paper book in folio, not bound, containing notes of a few Cases in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I., and of points urged in them; fairly transcribed.

XXXII. (CLXVII.)

A quarto manuscript on vellum, written in the early part of the fourteenth century, and re-bound, by Sir James Ley Earl of Marlborough, whose arms are impressed upon the covers. It contains copies of various Charters, Statutes, and antient law pieces usually printed among the statutes of the realm. I observe none among them which are not in the collection of the Statutes published by the Commission. These follow:

1. "Expositiones vocabulorum in cartis."
2. "In quibus casibus in antiquo dominico coronæ capienda est assisa novæ disseisinæ."
3. "De ponderibus, mensuris, et hujusmodi."
4. "Tractatus de bastardiâ."
5. "De sokemannis."
6. An imperfect registrum brevium.

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not been used by the writers on this subject. The memory of this society is preserved at Beverley by the name of one of the pillars in the minster, which is called the Minstrel's Pillar.

7. Table of the capitula of Magna Charta and other early charters and statutes, with what appears to be a comment on certain portions of them.

8. Table of writs.

On the fly-leaf at the end, in an early hand, is a receipt in English to make a bait for fish.

XXXIII. (CLXX.)

A YEAR BOOK from Mich. term 15 Edw. II. to Mich. term 1 Edw. III.; a nearly contemporary manuscript.

XXXIV. (CLXXII.)

A large quarto, in its original wood covers, beautifully written on fine vellum in the fifteenth century, containing ASSISÆ from the 20th to the 45th of Edward III., and also in the 8th of Henry IV.

They appear to be selected cases, and there is no account of the places at which the assizes were held, the judges, or of the terms. An index is prefixed.

XXXV. (CLXXIII.)

An early and valuable copy of the STATUTES, beginning with Magna Charta and ending with "Judicium pillor' et tumberelli," in a hand of the reign of Edward II., or early in that of Edward III. A table of contents is prefixed.

Like other early collections of the statutes this manuscript has also the Fet assaver, Parva Hengham, judicium essoniorum, cadit ass', cum sit necessarium, bastardia, exceptiones contra brevia, Magna Hengham, and registrum de cancellariâ.

XXXVI. (CLXXIV.)

A large quarto, written in the reign of Edward III., containing,

1. "Parva Hengham."
2. "Summa bastardiæ."
3. "Modus componendi brevia."
4. A large collection of extracts from the year books and the assisæ, arranged under headings of the titles of particular kinds of writs.

XXXVII. (CLXXVII.)

A quarto of the fifteenth century, described in the former catalogue as "Diversa Brevia et processus super inde."

XXXVIII. (CLXXXI.)

A paper manuscript of the fifteenth century, in large quarto, and in its original wood covers, containing,

1. Year Book for all the terms in 21 Edw. III.
2. Year Books 46—49 Edw. III.
3. References to the Year Books, under heads of forms in law, alphabetically arranged.

At the end are "A medecyn for the murre;" "to make a comfortable drynck;" and the following couplet, which is often found written in law manuscripts of that age:—

"Rex novus accessit, propterea lex nova crescit;
Lex quæ successit similis veteri fore nescit."

XXXIX. (CLXXXII.)

A large quarto paper manuscript, containing selections from Placita, some of which were in the Exchequer, of 2 Hen. VI., 12 Ric. II., 5 & 9 Hen. V., and 1 Hen. VI.

XL. (CLXXXVI.)

A large folio in vellum, very fully written and of an early date, containing REPORTS from Easter term 1 Edw. III. to Mich. term 21 Edw. III.

Some one has remarked on a fly-leaf that "In this book are the terms from 10 to 17 Edw. III., which are not printed."* I do not, however, see any in the twelfth year.

This manuscript was the gift of Sir Roger Owen, on 14th May, in the 14th year of King James, who was son and heir of Thomas Owen, Esq., one of the judges of the common pleas in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

XLI. (CLXXXVIII.)

A folio manuscript of the early part of the fourteenth century, containing PLACITA and ASSISÆ.

1. To the first fifty-seven leaves there is no heading.
2. "Placita de termino Sancti Mich. anno regis Edwardi xxxii." Sixteen leaves.
3. "De octabis Sancti Hillarii xxxii;" four leaves.
4. "De termino Pasch. anno r. r. E. xxxii;" nineteen leaves.
5. "Incipiunt placita in itinere justic' coram Joh'e Bewik, Launcetun anno r. r. . . . .;" seven leaves. "Expliciunt placita de itinere de Cornubiâ de ten' modo irotulamenta de coron'."
6. "In itinere de Corn' coram J. de H. et sociis suis anno r. r. E. xxxi°;" two leaves.
7. "De termino Sancti Mich. anno xxx°;" one page.
8. "De termino Sancti Mich. anno xxx°;" thirteen leaves.

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* This deficiency in the printed series of early reports is about to be supplied by the translation lately made by Mr. Manning from a manuscript in the library of the Inner Temple.

9. "Incipit terminus Sancti Hillarii anno r. r. E. xxxiii°;" five leaves.

10. "Incipiunt placita de termino Paschæ anno r. r. [E.] xxxiii°;" six leaves to the end of the volume.*

XLII. (CXC.)

A Copy of FLETA in a hand of the seventeenth century. An illumination at the beginning, which appears to be intended as a fac-simile of the original manuscript, exhibits the arms of Edward II.; which seems to show that the manuscript of which this is the copy was of that reign.

"Ex dono JOHANNIS GLOVER armigeri."

2.—MANUSCRIPTS, THE GIFT OF VARIOUS BENEFACTORS, NOT IN THE CATALOGUE OF 1697.

XLIII.

A manuscript on fine vellum, containing the STATUTES from 1 Edw. III. to 29 Hen. VI.

This manuscript was prepared for John Nevil Marquis Montacute, as appears by his arms †, which occur in several of the illuminated pages, and is accordingly very richly embellished. The initial letters are all illuminated, and at the beginning of each successive reign the initial letter is in a small miniature, beautifully executed, in which

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* This appears to be the volume to which Sir Matthew Hale more particularly alludes; when speaking of the reports of the reign of Edward I. he says, "Some of these reports, though broken, yet the best of their kind, are in Lincoln's Inn library." *The History of the Common Law of England*, 6th edit. 1820. p. 195.

† These are Montague and Monthermer quarterly, quartering Nevil with a black label, each drop charged with three plates.

the king appears delivering the statute to his faithful parliament, to which we may suppose he has just assented.

In 1597 this manuscript was the property of Hayward Townsend of Lincoln's Inn.

XLIV.

An original Register of the Priory of Bath, containing copies of all documents relating to the transactions of the house from about the year 1200 to 1360, with some few things of an earlier and also a very few things of a later date.

This register, when considered in the light of a chartulary of the possessions of a religious house which was of Saxon foundation, is of great value, but it assumes a much higher character when it is regarded as a depository of many of the transactions of the bishops of the diocese; many of those transactions requiring to be ratified by the prior and convent of Bath when the seat of the bishoprick had been transferred again to Wells; hence we have here a contemporary and what may be regarded as an authoritative record of the appropriation of many of the churches in the diocese, and of the ordinations of the vicarages. It contains also much respecting the proceedings on the election of the successive bishops in the period to which it refers.

There are also interspersed occasionally fragments of history.

The number of distinct articles in this register is 870. It would be unsuitable to the design of this report to give a full calendar of them, instead of which a very few of the more prominent of them may be specified.

1. "Nomina fratrum et sororum reddentium aliq. huic domui."

2. A charter of Reinaldus Bishop of Bath, with the consent of Hugh the prior and the whole convent, and also of Richard the dean of Wells and the whole chapter; he appoints Richard de Ford to be the hundredman for

the hundred of Bath, the office having been long before unserved, and settles upon him land at Socherwiche and Callicote.

3. R. the prior and the whole convent, declaring that whatever they have paid to the king, John, during the whole of his reign to the then fourteenth year has been of free gift; and this charter is made that no one may hereafter "exactiones appellare valeat vel extorsiones."

4. Fine by which lands are granted lying between the divisas de Corston and Wodnesdich [Wansdike], 2 Hen. III.

5. The whole correspondence relating to the great contest, in 1242, about the election of the bishop of the diocese, between the prior and convent of Bath and the dean and canons of Wells; twenty-three documents in all, including letters to the king and to the pope.

6. "Incipit processus electionis Walteri Gyfford quondam Bathon' et Wellen' episcopi habit' inter monachos Bathon' et canonicos Well' in capitulo Wellen'."

7. "Incipit processus electionis domini Will' archid' Wellen' habit' inter monachos Bathon' et canonicos Well' n capitulo Bathon'," 1266.

8. W. Bishop of Bath and Wells, in 1260, ratifying a gift to the Augustinian canons of Stodleigh, in the diocese of Worcester, which R. de Tregoz, "patronus loci religiosi qui dicitur Stepholme," has made to them of the whole island; two canons of the house at least to live constantly upon the island.

9. Eugenius, formerly an abbot and monk in Germany, at the instance of Queen Margaret is received into the house of Bath, and makes his profession; 1299.

10. Thomas prior of Bath being unable on account of sickness to attend his duty in parliament makes Will. de Hampton, a monk of his house, his proctor; dated on the first Sunday in Lent, 1299.

11. "Hæc sunt beneficia concessa omnibus qui sunt in fraternitate matricis ecclesiæ Beatorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli Bathon'."

12. A legendary account of the first origin of the

bishoprick of Somerset, with the history to the time of Bishop Reginald, 1174; including some account, written by himself, of Gŷso, who was bishop at the time of the Conquest.

13. Robert the elect of Bath and Wells. Walter prior of Bath and Edward the dean and whole chapter of Wells surrender to the king, Edward, all right which they have in the patronage of the church of Glaston, &c. in exchange for the city of Bath, &c.

14. Agreement with a physician named John de Bath to reside constantly in the house, 2 Edw. III.

15. Ordinations of the vicarages of Keynsham, St. Mary at Stalls in Bath, Corston, Compton, Kary, Inglishcombe, Kelveston, Hampton, and Batheneston.

16. A brother of the house intending to visit the Holy Land has permission from the prior to assume a lay habit if he should find it convenient to do so, and has assurance that he shall be received again into the house on his return, 1324.

17. A long and particular account of the benefactors and benefactions to the house, beginning with King Athelstan.

This register is mentioned in the new edition of the Monasticon, and it is there said to have been one of the manuscripts of Sir Matthew Hale, but that does not appear to be the case. There is no notice of it in the schedule annexed to his will, nor is it mentioned in the catalogue of the manuscripts which was drawn up in 1697.

XLV.

A quarto, of the early part of the fourteenth century, containing the STATUTES from Magna Charta to the "Statutum editum apud Ebor." To these are added the antient law tracts generally found in collections of the statutes; viz. Brevia placitata, Curia Baronum, Magnum Hengham, Fet-assever, Parvum Hengham, Modus componendi

brevia, Exceptiones ad cassand', Judicium essoniorum, Interpretatio sokæ et aliorum verborum, Statutum de conjunct' feoffament' falso factis, Registrum de cancellariâ.

A copy of a fine of lands in Warwickshire of the reign of Edward I. is introduced at fol. 113.

This manuscript formerly belonged to WILLIAM FALCONER, Esq. of Chester, who has affixed a table of the several statutes, and was the gift to this society of his son WILLIAM FALCONER, M.D. of Bath.

XLVI.

A manuscript, of the 18mo form, containing, in a hand of the fourteenth century, the STATUTES from Magna Charta to "Westm. anno quinto." A table of capitula to many of the statutes is prefixed.

On the fly-leaves are a set of cautions in rhyme to purchasers of land, a few moral sentences, and a notice of the disgysyngs of the Inner Temple in the reign of Henry VII.

XLVII.

A quarto, very fairly written and illuminated about the close of the fourteenth century, of GLANVILLE, with the following rubrick: "Incipit tractatus de legibus et consuetudinibus regni Angliæ tempore Regis Henrici Secundi compositus, justiciæ gubernacula tenente illustri viro Ranulfo de Glanville, juris regni et antiquarum consuetudinum eo tempore peritissimo." The gift of WILLIAM SELWYN, Esq., late bencher of Lincoln's Inn, in 1795.

XLVIII.

A quarto manuscript fairly written, entitled " A continuation of BRITTON translated into English, from chapter 25." " The gift of ROBERT KELHAM, senior member of Lincoln's Inn, aged eighty-nine, Feb. 1807."

Mr. Kelham published, in a thin octavo volume in 1762, a translation of Britton as far as the twenty-fifth chapter. This manuscript is his translation of the remainder with a preface, as intended by him for publication. At the end of the manuscript are " Corrections and emendations; some passages in Wingate's edition of Britton compared with the first edition and with several manuscripts in the British Museum, and corrected."

Mr. Kelham's own copy of Wingate's edition, with numerous references in the margin to Glanville, Bracton, Fleta, the Mirror, and the Institutes, by Mr. Kelham, is also in the library, his own gift. In this book there is also an account by Mr. Kelham of the manuscripts of Britton in the British Museum.

XLIX.

A folio manuscript, entitled " Abridgement of law," written about the beginning of the eighteenth century, presented to the library in 1825 by J. PALMER, Esq. of Gray's Inn.

L.

" A particular state of the receipts and issues of the PUBLIC REVENUE, taxes, and loans during the reign of his late Majesty King William; that is to say, from the 5th of November 1688, from which day the parliament appointed the said accounts should commence, to the 25th of March 1702,

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LI. LII.

"Storia de Firenza di M. Benedetto Varchi," an Italian manuscript of the eighteenth century, in two volumes folio. There is an edition of this work printed at Cologne in 1721.

LIII.—LIX.

Six volumes of Reports of Cases in Chancery by William Melmoth, Esq., one of the benchers of this Society, and a seventh volume, containing tables of matters; small folio, in parchment covers. The earliest of the cases here reported is Yates v. Fettiplace and Lacy, which, according to Vernon's Reports, ii. p. 416, was determined by Lord Keeper Wrighte in Hil. term 1700, and the latest in 1742.

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